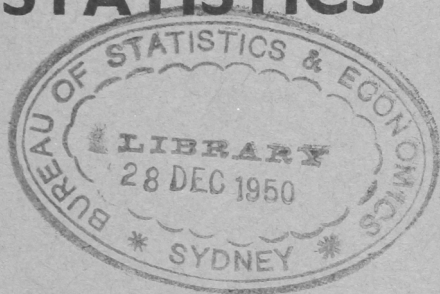


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	Males	Females	Persons		Building Work Approved	New Dwellings in Houses and Flats Completed
	Number at end of period—thousands			£ thousand	£ thousand	Number
Year : 1938-39	529.9	168.0	697.9	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
1944-45	536.0	247.9	783.9	4,721	n.a.	n.a.
1945-46	618.5	242.3	860.8	4,980	n.a.	5,500†
1946-47	671.8	252.1	923.9	5,851	48,925‡	12,344‡
1947-48	702.3	261.9	964.2	6,970	53,440	15,415
1948-49	705.5	263.8	969.3	8,105	66,146	18,758
1949-50	740.8	278.5	1,019.3	8,988	83,981	19,841
1949 : Oct.	720.2	273.2	993.4	9,394	7,500	5,590
Nov.	725.2	275.8	1,001.0		7,233	
Dec.	726.9	278.3	1,005.2		5,494	
1950 : Jan.	729.6	273.2	1,002.8	8,864	5,760	4,355
Feb.	735.1	276.1	1,011.2		7,300	
Mar.	736.7	278.7	1,015.4		8,181	
April	737.0	277.5	1,014.5	9,713	5,586	4,955
May	740.7	279.6	1,020.3		10,085	
June	740.8	278.5	1,019.3		8,103	
July	740.4	279.0	1,019.4	n.y.a.	8,785	4,995
Aug.	742.8	279.6	1,022.4		8,968	
Sept.	744.9	281.7	1,026.6		9,236	
Oct.	746.2	285.7	1,031.9		10,629	

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Period	Wool Sold at Auction *	Oversea Trade. (Merchandise only)		Nine Trading Banks		Savings Bank Deposits
		Imports	Exports	Deposits	Advances	
	£ thousand	£A million, f.o.b.		At end of period—£ million		
Year : 1938-39	15,521	49.9	37.7	117.1	120.5	87.5
1944-45	22,622§	112.8	60.8	225.2	83.4	198.2
1945-46	23,276§	86.1	76.4	237.2	90.6	236.2
1946-47	32,910	93.0	116.5	244.3	116.5	231.4
1947-48	52,972	150.4	134.7	265.4	142.9	237.0
1948-49	67,331	177.2	176.6	301.3	150.4	244.5
1949-50	107,714	214.0	216.6	394.0	166.2	258.9
1949 : Oct.	11,878	16.2	16.5	306.0	154.9	247.9
Nov.	12,761	14.9	18.3	322.3	156.2	248.4
Dec.	12,935	16.1	17.1	346.9	154.3	249.0
1950 : Jan.	10,812	20.2	19.3	359.1	151.6	250.6
Feb.	13,195	15.7	21.5	375.8	150.3	251.8
Mar.	14,325	23.1	27.2	389.7	151.6	252.6
April	532	15.7	16.2	393.0	156.6	253.5
May	9,161	25.8	27.3	388.9	155.9	253.7
June	9,061	19.8	14.2	394.0	166.2	258.9
July	561	21.1	15.9	389.0	170.3	260.0
Aug.	8,047	25.4	13.2	386.8	169.7	259.0
Sept.	17,833	24.7	13.3	388.7	170.9	259.7
Oct.	27,230	21.4	30.6	406.5	175.8	259.3

\* See notes to relevant table.

† Houses only.

‡ Partly estimated.

§ Includes equalisation payments.

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N.S.W. Government Railways		New Cars, Taxis, Buses and Lorries, etc. Registered	Coal Production	Electricity Generated	Ingot Steel Production	Period
Passenger Journeys	Goods (ex- cluding live- stock) Carried					
Millions	Thousand tons					
186.7	14,679	28,335	11,196**	1,948	1,168†	1938-39: Year
254.1	17,793	2,785	11,096	2,877	1,346†	1944-45
267.4	15,872	3,814	10,030	2,832	1,054†	1945-46
261.6	16,539	13,608	11,212	3,229	1,312†	1946-47
263.0	17,407	26,200	11,780	3,546	1,343†	1947-48
263.1	16,903	37,665	11,736	3,717	1,129	1948-49
258.2	15,890	61,656	11,290	3,756	1,246	1949-50
23.4	1,556	4,071	1,148	317	129	Oct. : 1949
21.8	1,695	5,744	1,285	324	128	Nov.
22.0	1,393	5,388	820	313	132	Dec.
23.1	1,379	3,877	771	306	116	Jan. : 1950
21.1	1,411	4,846	982	310	113	Feb.
21.4	1,543	6,521	1,095	349	110	Mar.
23.5	1,277	5,020	910	321	104	April
24.1	1,601	8,270	1,246	371	112	May
21.2	1,298	7,358	977	380	122	June
22.8	1,371	6,672	1,042	385	104	July
22.0	1,596	7,264	1,229	381	125	Aug.
22.4	1,528	7,231	1,152r	355	136	Sept.
22.9	1,524	7,002	1,209	353	133	Oct.

42.	44.	45.	51.	53.	54.	Table No.
Bank Clearings, Sydney	Sydney Stock Exchange	Real Estate Transfers and Conveyances	Wholesale Prices (Aust.) Index *	Retail Prices : " C " Series All Items (Sydney) Index *	Basic Wage, Sydney	Period
Index *	Share Values				Adult Males *	
Average 1926-30 = 100	Index *				s. per week	
99	175.6	35,272	1011	928	81	1938-39 : Year
157	192.2	23,350	1405	1142	99	1944-45
171	210.2	35,660	1412	1151	99	1945-46
214	240.0	57,899	1429	1182	108	1946-47
248	262.6	60,202	1588	1259	114	1947-48
298	258.2	62,229	1809	1378	124	1948-49
356	270.0	125,952	2054	1504	135	1949-50
302	257.3	7,197	1938	1486	130	Oct. : 1949
328	262.4	11,210	1988		132	Nov.
350	265.9	9,607	2043		132	Dec.
352	272.0	9,346	2074		132	Jan. : 1950
351	277.5	10,314	2109	1515	135	Feb.
367	285.4	12,896	2109		135	Mar.
391	292.6	11,211	2222		135	April
402	293.4	17,212	2208		138	May
402	293.6	15,129	2229	1564	138	June
402	289.1	15,240	2231		138	July
398	296.9	15,021	2319		142	Aug.
393	306.4	15,813	2337		142	Sept.
413	312.1	13,941	2372	1613	142	Oct.

† Year ended 31st May.

|| Operative from February.

\*\* Year ended 31st December, 1939.

## 2. Population, Births, Deaths, Marriages and Migration, New South Wales

Period	Population at end of Period			Live Births	Deaths	Net Immigration	Marriages
	Males	Females	Persons				
	Number						
Year : 1939	1,393,358	1,373,057	2,766,415	48,003	26,815	8,044*	25,471
1947	1,504,350	1,503,232	3,007,582	69,398	28,449	4,277*	30,172
1948	1,531,990	1,530,354	3,062,344	67,234	30,403	17,931	30,164
1949	1,594,724	1,581,211	3,175,935	68,812	29,364	74,143	28,757
1948 : Mar. Qr.	1,510,900	1,508,052	3,018,952	16,644	6,463	1,189	7,549
June Qr.	1,513,563	1,511,755	3,025,318	17,021	8,169	(-) 2,486	7,858
Sept. Qr.	1,520,961	1,518,664	3,039,625	17,035	9,003	6,275	6,678
Dec. Qr.	1,531,990	1,530,354	3,062,344	16,534	6,768	12,953	8,079
1949 : Mar. Qr.	1,545,909	1,540,471	3,086,380	16,397	6,392	14,031	7,484
June Qr.	1,561,592	1,552,067	3,113,659	16,974	7,476	17,781	7,404
Sept. Qr.	1,574,988	1,564,163	3,139,151	18,267	8,542	15,767	6,121
Dec. Qr.	1,594,724	1,581,211	3,175,935	17,174	6,954	26,564	7,748
1950 : Mar. Qr.	1,610,106	1,593,872	3,203,978	17,888	6,661	16,816	7,940
June Qr.	1,621,456	1,603,786	3,225,242	17,715	7,482	11,031	7,636

\* Includes intercensal adjustment. (-) Denotes excess of departures over arrivals.

Population of Metropolis (Sydney and Suburbs) was 1,274,930 at 31st December, 1939, and 1,549,590 at 31st December, 1949.

## EMPLOYMENT IN NEW SOUTH WALES

(1) The following estimates are based on the National Register of 1939, the Civilian Register of 1943, and the Occupation Survey of 1945, and returns supplied monthly by employers for purposes of Commonwealth pay-roll taxation and by governmental authorities. (2) The Pay-roll Tax returns show the number of employees whose names appeared on the last pay-roll of the month, irrespective of whether they were actually working at the end of the month. (3) Workers in rural industry, female domestics in private households, and persons on the paid strength of the defence forces are excluded.

## 3. Wage and Salary Earners in Employment

(Excluding Rural Workers, Domestics in Private Households, and Defence Forces)

Month	Government Authorities*			Private Employment			Total Employment		
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
Thousands									
1939: July	136.5	19.4	155.9	393.4	148.6	542.0	529.9	168.0	697.9
1943: July	156.9	46.1	203.0	365.2	207.7	572.9	522.1	253.8	775.9
1945: Aug.	155.6	42.8	198.4	386.4	205.3	591.7	542.0	248.1	790.1
1946: June	169.0	33.4	202.4	449.5	208.9	658.4	618.5	242.3	860.8
1947: June	178.2	32.3	210.5	493.6	219.8	713.4	671.8	252.1	923.9
1948: June	186.1	33.6	219.7	516.2	228.3	744.5	702.3	261.9	964.2
1949: May	193.8	35.7	229.5	527.6	234.2	761.8	721.4	269.9	991.3
June†	195.4	36.0	231.4	510.1	227.8	737.9	705.5	263.8	969.3
July†	194.6	36.5	231.1	442.0	207.5	649.5	636.6	244.0	880.6
Aug.†	195.2	37.0	232.2	506.0	229.0	735.0	701.2	266.0	967.2
Sept.	196.7	37.3	234.0	519.2	232.7	751.9	715.9	270.0	985.9
Oct.	196.6	37.7	234.3	523.6	235.5	759.1	720.2	273.2	993.4
1950: May	203.2	38.9	242.1	537.5	240.7	778.2	740.7	279.6	1,020.3
June	202.7	39.1	241.8	538.1	239.4	777.5	740.8	278.5	1,019.3
July	203.5	39.3	242.8	536.9	239.7	776.6	740.4	279.0	1,019.4
Aug.	204.4	39.0	243.4	538.4	240.6	779.0	742.8	279.6	1,022.4
Sept.	204.6	39.1	243.7	540.3	242.6	782.9	744.9	281.7	1,026.6
Oct.	203.7	39.5	243.2	542.5	246.2	788.7	746.2	285.7	1,031.9

\* Employees of Commonwealth, State, local, and allied governmental authorities. † Affected by an industrial dispute in coal mines and power restrictions. See note (2) above.



**4. Wage and Salary Earners : Employment by Principal Industrial Groups\***  
(Excluding Rural Workers, Domestic in Private Households, and Defence Forces)

Month	Mining and Quarrying	Factories †	Building and Con- struction	Transport and Com- munication	Finance and Property	Wholesale Trade, etc.	Retail Trade	Professional and Personal Services ‡
Thousands								
MALES								
1939 : July	24.7	158.8	57.9	77.4	.....	59.0	.....	56.6
1943 : July	25.1	217.8	30.1	79.9	10.5	22.9	28.7	39.6
1945 : Aug.	24.9	216.9	32.3	86.7	11.4	24.9	30.5	46.5
1946 : June	25.8	236.3	44.1	96.8	16.5	33.4	40.6	56.1
1947 : June	26.6	252.1	55.7	102.8	18.8	37.6	46.4	62.4
1948 : June	28.1	265.2	60.1	107.9	19.5	39.8	49.3	64.7
1949 : May	27.5	269.5	64.7	111.0	20.4	42.7	50.2	66.5
June§	24.4	257.4	64.5	110.9	20.4	42.1	50.1	66.1
July§	11.7	210.1	62.1	109.1	20.4	40.6	49.2	64.5
Aug.§	24.7	257.6	63.1	108.2	20.4	41.9	49.7	66.0
Sept.	27.6	263.9	64.9	109.8	20.6	42.7	49.6	66.6
Oct.	27.8	267.5	65.9	110.0	20.6	43.2	49.4	66.3
1950 : May	28.2	276.1	68.0	114.0	21.1	44.9	50.4	67.8
June	28.1	277.2	67.9	114.4	21.2	45.2	50.3	67.2
July	28.3	276.8	68.1	114.7	21.2	44.8	50.5	66.7
Aug.	28.5	277.8	69.0	114.5	21.3	44.8	50.5	67.1
Sept.	28.4	277.8	69.9	114.6	21.3	45.8	50.6	67.0
Oct.	28.5	278.5	70.1	114.2	21.3	46.1	51.0	67.1
FEMALES								
1939 : July	0.1	59.3	0.5	4.2	.....	8.5	.....	49.1
1943 : July	0.2	94.6	0.7	12.9	9.9	10.7	38.5	65.9
1945 : Aug.	0.2	86.0	0.7	14.6	10.6	10.8	37.8	70.3
1946 : June	0.2	82.3	0.9	13.0	10.1	10.9	39.1	73.3
1947 : June	0.2	86.5	1.0	12.8	10.4	11.9	40.7	77.1
1948 : June	0.2	90.2	1.1	13.9	10.9	12.9	43.0	79.6
1949 : May	0.3	93.5	1.1	14.6	11.6	13.5	43.4	81.8
June§	0.3	88.7	1.2	14.7	11.7	13.4	42.7	80.9
July§	0.3	74.0	1.2	14.6	11.7	13.1	40.4	78.1
Aug.§	0.3	90.4	1.2	14.7	11.9	14.5	42.1	80.3
Sept.	0.3	93.4	1.2	14.7	11.9	14.0	42.3	81.6
Oct.	0.3	95.1	1.2	15.0	11.9	14.1	42.6	82.2
1950 : May	0.3	97.6	1.3	15.3	12.7	14.2	44.0	83.6
June	0.3	97.2	1.3	15.3	12.6	14.3	43.7	83.1
July	0.3	97.1	1.3	15.3	12.7	14.4	43.7	83.2
Aug.	0.3	97.6	1.4	15.3	12.7	14.5	43.8	83.1
Sept.	0.3	98.4	1.3	15.3	12.8	14.8	44.4	83.6
Oct.	0.3	99.5	1.4	15.6	12.7	15.4	46.1	83.9
PERSONS								
1939 : July	24.8	218.1	58.4	81.6	.....	67.5	.....	105.7
1943 : July	25.3	312.4	30.8	92.8	20.4	33.6	67.2	105.5
1945 : Aug.	25.1	302.9	33.0	101.3	22.0	35.7	68.3	116.8
1946 : June	26.0	318.6	45.0	109.8	26.6	44.3	79.7	129.4
1947 : June	26.8	338.6	56.7	115.6	29.2	49.5	87.1	139.5
1948 : June	28.3	355.4	61.2	121.8	30.4	52.7	92.3	144.3
1949 : May	27.8	363.0	65.8	125.6	32.0	56.2	93.6	148.3
June§	24.7	346.1	65.7	125.6	32.1	55.5	92.8	147.0
July§	12.0	284.1	63.3	123.7	32.1	53.7	89.6	142.6
Aug.§	25.0	348.0	64.3	122.9	32.3	56.4	91.8	146.3
Sept.	27.9	357.3	66.1	124.5	32.5	56.7	91.9	148.2
Oct.	28.1	362.6	67.1	125.0	32.5	57.3	92.0	148.5
1950 : May	28.5	373.7	69.3	129.3	33.8	59.1	94.4	151.4
June	28.4	374.4	69.2	129.7	33.8	59.5	94.0	150.3
July	28.6	373.9	69.4	130.0	33.9	59.2	94.2	149.9
Aug.	28.8	375.4	70.4	129.8	34.0	59.3	94.3	150.2
Sept.	28.7	376.2	71.2	129.9	34.1	60.6	95.0	150.6
Oct.	28.8	378.0	71.5	129.8	34.0	61.5	97.1	151.0

\* See notes preceding Table 3. Miscellaneous groups (69,400 males 10,800 females 80,200 persons in October, 1950) are omitted from this table. † From July 1949, subject to revision. ‡ Includes Education, Health, Law, Hotels and Restaurants, and other Professional and Personal Services. § Affected by an industrial dispute in coal mines and power restrictions.

# 5. Employees in N.S.W. Factories : By Classes of Industry\*

(Excludes working proprietors)

Classes	I, II Bricks, Cement, Glass, etc.	III Chemicals, Oils, Paints, etc.	IV Metals, Machines, Vehicles, etc.	VI Textiles and Knitted Goods	VIII Clothing and Foot- wear	IX Food, Drink, Tobacco	X, XI Sawmills, Wood- working, Furniture, etc.	XII Paper, Print- ing, etc.	V, VII, XIII—XVI Other	I—XVI All Factor- ies
Month	Thousands									
MALES										
1939 : June	11.8	5.2	75.9	5.6	6.9	17.5	13.4	11.3	12.1	159.7
1945 : June	9.1	8.3	124.2	6.8	7.3	20.4	14.3	9.9	14.5	214.8
1947 : June	14.2	9.7	131.5	9.8	10.9	23.2	18.5	14.3	20.0	252.1
1948 : June	14.8	10.7	137.4	10.1	11.2	24.4	20.7	14.6	21.3	265.2
1949 : June†	14.7	11.3	130.6	9.3	11.1	24.8	19.9	14.9	20.8	257.4
1950 : June	16.3	11.6	143.5	9.6	11.4	25.6	21.0	15.5	22.2	277.2
1949 : Aug.†	15.6	10.7	129.3	9.5	11.3	25.1	20.1	15.0	21.0	257.6
Sept.	16.3	11.3	132.4	9.7	11.6	25.3	20.6	15.1	21.6	263.9
Oct.	16.3	11.3	134.6	9.8	11.6	25.9	20.9	15.2	21.9	267.5
1950 : Aug.	16.7	11.6	145.0	9.8	11.4	25.4	20.4	15.6	21.9	277.8
Sept.	16.4	11.7	144.7	9.7	11.5	25.5	20.7	15.6	22.0	277.8
Oct.	16.5	11.7	145.3	9.6	11.5	25.6	20.6	15.8	21.9	278.5
FEMALES										
1939 : June	0.4	2.7	4.9	9.2	22.8	9.4	1.6	5.3	3.6	59.9
1945 : June	0.8	4.0	21.2	11.5	25.9	11.2	1.6	5.7	5.0	86.9
1947 : June	0.7	4.4	13.6	11.4	31.9	10.6	1.9	6.1	5.9	86.5
1948 : June	0.8	4.4	14.5	11.7	33.6	10.7	2.0	6.1	6.4	90.2
1949 : June†	0.9	4.3	14.6	11.1	32.6	10.7	2.2	6.0	6.3	88.7
1950 : June	1.1	4.7	18.0	12.9	33.3	11.3	2.4	6.6	6.9	97.2
1949 : Aug.†	0.9	4.3	15.0	11.8	33.0	11.0	2.1	6.2	6.1	90.4
Sept.	0.9	4.4	15.3	12.4	33.7	11.5	2.3	6.4	6.5	93.4
Oct.	1.0	4.6	15.7	12.4	34.0	11.8	2.3	6.6	6.7	95.1
1950 : Aug.	1.1	4.6	18.1	12.9	33.7	11.3	2.3	6.7	6.9	97.6
Sept.	1.1	4.6	18.2	13.0	34.0	11.3	2.3	6.8	7.1	98.4
Oct.	1.2	4.7	18.2	13.2	34.4	11.4	2.4	6.9	7.1	99.5
PERSONS										
1939 : June	12.2	7.9	80.8	14.8	29.7	26.9	15.0	16.6	15.7	219.6
1945 : June	9.9	12.3	145.4	18.3	33.2	31.6	15.9	15.6	19.5	301.7
1947 : June	14.9	14.1	145.1	21.2	42.8	33.8	20.4	20.4	25.9	338.6
1948 : June	15.6	15.1	151.9	21.8	44.8	35.1	22.7	20.7	27.7	355.4
1949 : June†	15.6	15.6	145.2	20.4	43.7	35.5	22.1	20.9	27.1	346.1
1950 : June	17.9	16.3	161.5	22.5	44.7	36.9	23.4	22.1	29.1	374.4
1949 : Aug.†	16.5	15.0	144.3	21.3	44.3	36.1	22.2	21.2	27.1	348.0
Sept.	17.2	15.7	147.7	22.1	45.3	36.8	22.9	21.5	28.1	357.3
Oct.	17.3	15.9	150.3	22.2	45.6	37.7	23.2	21.8	28.6	362.6
1950 : Aug.	17.8	16.2	163.1	22.7	45.1	36.7	22.7	22.3	28.8	375.4
Sept.	17.5	16.3	162.9	22.7	45.5	36.8	23.0	22.4	29.1	376.2
Oct.	17.7	16.4	163.5	22.8	45.9	37.0	23.0	22.7	29.0	378.0

\* See notes preceding Table 3; figures from July, 1949, subject to revision.

† Affected by an industrial dispute in coal mines and power restrictions.

## 6. Wages and Salaries Paid and Average Earnings, N.S.W.\*

Year.	Total Wages and Salaries Paid : Weekly Average				Average Weekly Earnings per Male Unit.†			
	Sept. Qr.	Dec. Qr.	March Qr.	June Qr.	Sept. Qr.	Dec. Qr.	March Qr.	June Qr.
	£ thousand				£			
1944-45	4,642	4,819	4,589	4,835	6.67	6.89	6.54	6.86
1945-46	4,809	4,910	4,817	5,384	6.73	6.90	6.35	6.76
1946-47	5,495	5,949	5,713	6,246	6.69	7.09	6.72	7.23
1947-48	6,480	7,229	6,753	7,419	7.40	8.15	7.58	8.25
1948-49	7,759	8,436	7,730	8,493	8.58	9.24	8.41	9.24
1949-50	7,982	9,394	8,864	9,713	9.01	10.06	9.40	10.23

\* Includes Australian Capital Territory.

† Total wages paid divided by total employment expressed in male units (i.e., total male employment plus 45 per cent. of total female employment).

## 7. Unemployment, Sickness, and Special Benefits in New South Wales\*

Period	Unemployment Beneficiaries on last Saturday in Period	Benefits Paid during Period			
		Unemployment	Sickness	Special †	Total
	Number	Amount—£			
Year : 1945-46	1,298	275,205	198,943	1,068	475,216
1946-47	1,400	172,141	258,782	6,772	437,695
1947-48	339	60,499	302,987	14,434	377,920
1948-49	283	23,279	302,298	53,925	379,502
1949-50	335	1,064,698	307,315	176,698	1,548,711
1949 : July‡	92,086	476,002	25,155	12,360	513,517
August‡	3,809	506,887	23,510	16,170	546,567
September‡	728	74,196	28,229	19,487	121,912
November	406	872	26,310	14,132	41,314
1950 : January	407	1,019	28,808	22,400	52,227
February	381	529	22,836	13,923	42,288
March	315	327	28,951	14,405	43,683
April	305	828	22,802	13,312	33,942
May	287	709	22,170	13,337	36,216
June	335	908	32,845	12,557	46,310
July	894p	1,021	17,474	5,602	24,097
August	n.y.a.	3,240	33,534	5,255	42,029
September	n.y.a.	2,534	28,287	5,140	35,961
October	n.y.a.	1,492	22,995	4,008	28,495
November	n.y.a.	2,085	28,472	5,341	35,898

\* Including Australian Capital Territory. † Including payments to immigrants during training for employment.

‡ Affected by an industrial dispute in coal mines and power restrictions.

## 8. Industrial Disputes in New South Wales

Compiled by N.S.W. Department of Labour and Industry and Social Welfare  
Monthly particulars are approximate.

Period	Disputes	Employees Involved			Man-working Days Lost by Employees Involved		
		Mining	Non-mining	Total	Mining	Non-mining	Total
	Number	Thousands					
Year : 1939	533	203	9	212	381	65	446
1945	1,158	222	102	324	653	1,226	1,879
1946	986	181	82	263	300	616	916
1947	1,328	221	78	299	392	735	1,127
1948	1,506	229	48	277	497	278	775
1949	1,303	167	49	216	770	248	1,018
1950 : January	67	10	3	13	16	16	32
February	174	28	7	35	40	23	63
March	202	29	3	32	50	10	60
April	67	10	1	11	14	2	16
May	165	20	8	28	30	11	41
June	96	16	8	24	35	5	40
July	92	9	7	16	16	15	31
August	123	17	8	25	28	36	64
September	158	20	7	27	31	33	64
October	158	19	58	77	32	79	111
November	126	15	41	56	21	87	108

## 9. Broadcast Listeners' Licenses in Force in N.S.W.

At end of Month	1939	1946	1947	1948	1949	1950
March	427,964	573,205	616,116	702,890	721,625	733,391
June	433,029	575,864	679,505	699,259	706,452	748,268
August	431,029	583,172	691,944	703,963	715,066	748,932
September	432,795	585,985	698,312	704,106	724,031	743,003
October	435,573	588,321	698,539	705,866	727,722	750,571
December	441,934	598,643	703,577	710,542	727,918	

# BUILDING ACTIVITY IN NEW SOUTH WALES

Note.—1. "Value" represents the estimated cost of the building when completed (exclusive of the land).

2. Building is classified as "government" or "private" according to ownership.

3. The value of building approved is the value of permits issued by local government councils, plus the value of contracts let or work commenced and day labour projects authorised by governmental authorities.

4. Buildings on rural holdings are for the most part excluded.

## 10. Value of Building\* Approved : Geographical Distribution

Period	Division of Cumberland			Balance of State	Total, N.S.W.
	Metropolis	Balance	Total		
	£ thousand				
PRIVATE BUILDING					
Year : 1946	18,070	6,831	24,901	11,123†	36,024†
1947	20,252	7,944	28,196	13,621	41,817
1948	22,595	10,745	33,340	16,103	49,443
1949	26,869	12,273	39,142	19,781	58,923
1949 : Jan.-Oct.	22,277	9,777	32,054	16,244	48,298
1950 : Jan.-Oct.	30,545	14,899	45,444	22,539	67,983
1949 : July	1,583	727	2,310	1,325	3,635
August	2,497	979	3,476	1,715	5,191
Sept.	2,600	1,280	3,880	1,637	5,517
Oct.	2,552	1,202	3,754	2,077	5,831
1950 : July	3,042	1,793	4,835	2,302	7,137
August	3,082	1,694	4,776	2,584	7,360
Sept.	3,424	1,612	5,036	2,264	7,300
Oct.	3,323	1,846	5,169	3,110	8,279
GOVERNMENT BUILDING					
Year : 1946	3,794	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	6,445
1947	4,299	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	7,322
1948	6,244	1,446	7,690	3,653	11,343
1949	7,550	1,574	9,124	5,120	14,244
1949 : Jan.-Oct.	6,662	1,466	8,128	4,014	12,142
1950 : Jan.-Oct.	7,011	1,232	8,243	6,407	14,650
1949 : July	1,076	197	1,273	337	1,610
August	538	115	653	505	1,158
Sept.	745	106	851	777	1,628
Oct.	936	360	1,296	373	1,669
1950 : July	823	55	878	770	1,648
August	1,150	90	1,240	368	1,608
Sept.	308	271	579	1,357	1,936
Oct.	1 174	168	1,342	1,008	2,350
PRIVATE AND GOVERNMENT BUILDING					
Year : 1946	21,864	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	42,469†
1947	24,551	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	49,139
1948	28,839	12,191	41,030	19,756	60,786
1949	34,419	13,847	48,266	24,901	73,167
1949 : Jan.-Oct.	28,939	11,243	40,182	20,258	60,440
1950 : Jan.-Oct.	37,556	16,131	53,687	28,946	82,633
1949 : July	2,659	924	3,583	1,662	5,245
August	3,035	1,094	4,129	2,220	6,349
Sept.	3,345	1,386	4,731	2,414	7,145
Oct.	3,488	1,562	5,050	2,450	7,500
1950 : July	3,865	1,848	5,713	3,072	8,785
August	4,232	1,784	6,016	2,952	8,968
Sept.	3,732	1,883	5,615	3,621	9,236
Oct.	4,497	2,014	6,511	4,118	10,629

\* New buildings and alterations and additions combined.

† Partly estimated.



## II. Value of Private and Governmental Building\* Approved : Class of Building

Period	Houses	Flats and Conversions to Flats	Hotels, Guest Houses, etc.	Shops and Shops with Dwellings	Factories	Other Buildings	Total
	£ thousand						
DIVISION OF CUMBERLAND (Including Metropolis)							
Year : 1948	30,858	1,989	103	477	4,389	3,214	41,030
1949	35,574	2,499	33	724	4,357	5,079	48,266
1949 : Jan.-October	29,181	2,050	25	516	3,783	4,627	40,182
1950 : Jan.-October	38,725	3,052	123	1,078	5,284	5,425	53,687
1949 : August	2,880	442	1	39	413	354	4,129
September	3,455	328	4	52	285	607	4,731
October	3,290	123	7	89	368	1,173	5,050
1950 : August	4,210	165	64	145	375	1,057	6,016
September	4,057	183	1	135	815	424	5,615
October	4,344	457	21	144	404	1,141	6,511

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Year : 1948	46,219	2,267	247	922	5,424	5,707	60,786
1949	54,630	2,991	111	1,178	5,187	9,070	73,167
1949 : Jan.-October	44,863	2,400	96	900	4,493	7,688	60,440
1950 : Jan.-October	58,815	3,705	304	1,910	6,762	11,137	82,633
1949 : August	4,439	469	15	91	586	749	6,349
September	5,270	391	6	109	327	1,042	7,145
October	5,306	153	11	140	382	1,508	7,500
1950 : August	6,548	244	77	246	434	1,419	8,968
September	6,279	226	11	231	858	1,631	9,236
October	6,580	530	44	305	650	2,520	10,629

\* New buildings and alterations and additions combined.

## 12. New House and Flat Building: Number of Dwelling Units

Period	Government				Private and Government			
	Approved *	Com- menced	Completed	Remaining Uncom- pleted †	Approved ‡	Com- menced	Completed	Remain- ing Uncom- pleted †
HOUSES								
Year: 1947	3,166	3,418	2,462	3,990	27,850	18,873	13,191	17,386
1948	2,689	3,974	3,385	4,579	29,185	21,066	17,252	21,200
1949	3,524	3,419	3,509	4,489	31,883	21,352	18,276	24,276
1949: Mar. Qr.	998	782	728	4,633	7,777	4,818	3,769	22,249
June Qr.	990	874	971	4,536	8,342	5,461	4,597	23,113
Sept. Qr.	714	918	953	4,501	7,584	5,198	4,657	23,654
Dec. Qr.	822	845	857	4,489	8,180	5,875	5,253	24,276
1950: Mar. Qr.	1,048	1,051	777	4,763	8,691	5,933	4,123	26,086
June Qr.	830	951	827	4,887	8,563	5,049	4,733	26,402
Sept. Qr.	1,094	881	915	4,853	9,210	6,136	4,775	27,763
FLATS								
Year: 1947	350	160	9	204	1,399	712	365	703
1948	729	427	187	444	1,798	1,331	789	1,245
1949	639	630	285	739	1,678	1,360	1,019	1,586
1949: Mar. Qr.	109	132	24	552	310	322	181	1,386
June Qr.	187	224	24	752	436	380	217	1,549
Sept. Qr.	70	214	110	855	343	373	284	1,638
Dec. Qr.	273	60	127	789	589	285	337	1,586
1950: Mar. Qr.	178	105	69	825	546	293	232	1,647
June Qr.	94	326	64	1,087	533	536	222	1,961
Sept. Qr.	81	117	69	1,135	347	306	220	2,047

\* Contracts let and day labour projects authorised. † At end of period. ‡ Local Government permits to build plus contracts let and day labour projects authorised by Governmental Authorities.

### 13. New South Wales Government Railways : Traffic and Finances

Period	Passenger Journeys	Goods Carried (excluding livestock)	Gross Revenue*	Working Expenses†	Excess of Revenue over Working Expenses
	Thousands	Thous. tons	£ thousand		
Year: 1938-39	186,720	14,679	19,146	14,543	4,603
1945-46	267,423	15,872	31,313	24,933	6,380
1946-47	261,644	16,539	30,353	25,886	4,467
1947-48	263,047	17,407	36,906	31,015	5,891
1948-49	263,116	16,903	39,663	35,739	3,924
1949-50	258,183	15,890	40,122‡	39,281	841
1949: July-Oct.	80,006	4,293	10,660‡	11,389	(—) 729
1950: July-Oct.	90,109	6,019	14,577	14,958	(—) 381
1949: August	20,159	918	2,429‡	2,537	(—) 108
Sept.	20,646	1,552	3,380	3,144	236
Oct.	23,359	1,556	3,580	3,182	398
1950: August	22,045	1,596	3,778	3,724	54
Sept.	22,365	1,528	3,788	3,878	(—) 90
Oct.	22,933	1,524	3,815	3,854	(—) 39

\* Excludes Government contribution, £800,000 annually, for developmental lines. † Excluding capital charges such as interest, exchange, etc.; a proportion of sinking fund for retirement of assets is included.

‡ Excludes a special grant of £3m. by the Commonwealth Government towards losses due to an industrial dispute in coal mines, June to August, 1949.

Railway passenger fares and freight charges were increased from 13th August, 1947; freights were increased again from 16th October, 1950, and fares from 1st November, 1950.

### 14. New South Wales Government Tramways and Omnibuses : Finances

Period	Gross Revenue			Working Expenses*	Excess of Revenue over Working Expenses
	Trams	Buses	Total		
	£ thousand				
Year: 1938-39	3,449	925	4,374	3,707	667
1945-46	4,370	1,566	5,936	5,826	110
1946-47	4,360	1,746	6,106	6,228	(—) 122
1947-48	5,310	2,544	7,854	7,895	(—) 41
1948-49	5,098	3,643	8,741	8,580	161
1949-50	4,792	4,307	9,099†	9,538	(—) 439
1949: July-Oct.	1,526	1,378	2,904†	3,125	(—) 221
1950: July-Oct.	1,580	1,539	3,119	3,443	(—) 324
1949: August	377	349	726	792	(—) 66
Sept.	409	334	743	775	(—) 32
Oct.	446	352	798	799	(—) 1
1950: August	386	378	764	881	(—) 117
Sept.	382	373	755	838	(—) 83
Oct.	438	420	858	868	(—) 10

\* Exclusive of sinking fund, interest on loan capital, exchange, and depreciation (£563,442 in year 1949-50). † Excludes a special grant of £200,000 by the Commonwealth Government towards losses due to an industrial dispute in coal mines, June to August, 1949.

Fares on Government trams and buses were increased from 1st July, 1947, 29th November, 1948, and 9th October, 1950.

### 15. Port of Sydney : Cargoes Discharged and Shipped

Compiled by Maritime Services Board of New South Wales. Vessels transporting troops, war equipment and supplies are included. Warships are excluded.

Period	Oversea		Interstate		Intra-state		Total	
	Inward	Outward	Inward	Outward	Inward	Outward	Inward	Outward
Thousand tons (Measurement and Weight Combined)								
Year: 1938-39	2,045	1,429	1,187	798	1,896	340	5,128	2,567
1945-46	2,661	2,034	1,157	414	1,580	152	5,398	2,600
1947-48	2,431	1,719	1,045	512	1,839	141	5,315	2,372
1948-49	2,683	2,162	1,009	535	1,658	115	5,350	2,812
1949-50	3,137	1,934	905	573	1,616	130	5,658	2,637
1949: Sept. Qr.	745	453	216	138	282	31	1,243	622
Dec. Qr.	709	497	210	134	492	32	1,411	663
1950: Mar. Qr.	836	501	233	140	376	26	1,445	667
June Qr.	847	483	246	161	466	41	1,559	685
Sept. Qr.	951	394	214	148	464	32	1,629	574

## 16. Motor Vehicles on the Register\* in New South Wales

End of Month	Cars	Omni-buses	Taxi-cabs and Hire Cars	Lorries, Utilities, and Vans	Total of foregoing	Motor Cycles	Trailers	All Other Vehicles†	Total on Register
1939 : June	213,331	1,430	3,278	76,726	294,765	24,151	6,414	2,298	327,628
1945 : June	182,972	1,891	2,962	82,957	270,782	16,068	9,065	2,397	298,312
1947 : June	195,857	2,200	3,330	113,544	314,931	25,172	14,712	3,635	358,450
1948 : June	210,506	2,594	3,545	127,413	344,058	30,076	18,317	4,959	397,410
1949 : June	232,837	2,947	3,562	140,338	379,684	36,379	21,525	6,362	443,950
1950 : June	269,250	3,254	3,735	159,226	435,465	42,461	24,840	7,738	510,504
1949 : Aug.	236,096	2,945	3,562	142,113	384,716	37,141	21,918	6,552	450,327
Sept.	238,545	2,997	3,589	143,440	388,571	37,676	22,164	6,644	455,055
Oct.	240,714	3,022	3,590	144,828	392,154	38,176	22,356	6,748	459,434
1950 : Aug.	277,295	3,309	3,861	163,035	447,500	42,926	25,107	8,006	523,539
Sept.	280,993	3,329	3,890	165,264	453,476	43,235	25,368	8,168	530,247
Oct.	284,089	3,373	3,900	166,663	458,025	43,754	25,632	8,322	535,733

\* Excludes defence vehicles. † Comprises traders' plates, tourist vehicles, and tractors (excluding tractors used solely on farms); details are shown in the Statistical Bulletin (Quarterly).

## 17. New Motor Vehicles Registered\* in New South Wales : Types

Period	Cars†	Taxi-cabs‡	Omni-buses‡	Lorries, Utilities, and Vans	Total of foregoing	Motor Cycles	Tractors§ and Trailers	Total
Year : 1938-39	19,924	569	130	7,712	28,335	2,196	1,714	32,245
1945-46	526	...	54	3,234	3,814	681	1,931	6,426
1946-47	7,998	7	116	5,487	13,608	2,850	3,204	19,662
1947-48	16,659	133	329	9,079	26,200	4,451	3,521	34,172
1948-49	25,466	186	339	11,674	37,665	7,442	4,177	49,284
1949-50	41,163	133	212	20,158	61,666	8,659	5,004	75,329
1949 : July-Oct.	9,524	29	60	5,029	14,642	2,626	1,267	18,535
1950 : July-Oct.	17,993	93	43	10,040	28,169	2,769	1,546	32,484
1949 : Aug.	2,163	4	5	1,112	3,284	684	318	4,286
Sept.	2,819	9	23	1,493	4,344	675	391	5,410
Oct.	2,631	6	23	1,411	4,071	735	314	5,120
1950 : Aug.	4,715	35	15	2,499	7,264	627	343	8,234
Sept.	4,442	19	6	2,764	7,231	674	429	8,334
Oct.	4,295	23	4	2,680	7,002	880	454	8,336

\* Excludes defence vehicles. † Includes taxi-cabs and omnibuses in country districts. ‡ Metropolitan and Newcastle Districts only. § Tractors used solely on farms are not registered.

## 18. New Motor Vehicles Registered in New South Wales : Country of Origin

Period	Cars					Lorries, Utilities and Vans				
	Australia	United Kingdom	U.S.A., Canada	Other	Total	United Kingdom	U.S.A., Canada	Other	Total	
	Proportion per cent.				Number	Proportion per cent.				Number
Year: 1933-39	...	38.8	60.6	0.6	19,924	25.0	74.6	0.4	7,712	
1946-47	...	53.2	46.8	...	7,998	19.3	80.7	...	5,487	
1947-48	...	53.5	45.7	0.8	16,659	18.3	81.7	...	9,079	
1948-49	3.1	76.5	18.7	1.7	25,466	50.1	49.8	0.1	11,674	
1949-50	11.7	77.2	7.9	3.2	41,163	72.0	27.4	0.6	20,158	
1949 : July-October	7.8	78.4	11.9	1.9	9,524	64.5	35.2	0.3	5,029	
1950 : July-October	15.8	68.8	9.4	6.0	17,993	76.3	23.3	0.4	10,040	
1949 : September	11.4	73.1	13.5	2.0	2,819	66.1	33.6	0.3	1,493	
October	10.9	74.9	11.8	2.4	2,631	66.1	33.3	0.6	1,411	
1950 : September	15.6	69.6	9.4	5.4	4,442	75.4	24.3	0.3	2,764	
October	14.8	68.0	9.0	8.2	4,295	78.1	21.4	0.5	2,680	

## 19. Coal Production in New South Wales

Period of Four Weeks *	Last Day of Period (1950 Dates)	1942	1945	1946	1947	1948	1949	1950
Thousand tons								
1st†	Jan. 28	731	640	519	859	539	513	714
2nd	Feb. 25	933	867	860	796	918	954	952
3rd	Mar. 25	981	893	913	833	869	929	932
4th	Apr. 22	886	755	859	804	964	908	925
5th	May 20	1,003	791	674	773	878	970	1,013
6th	June 17	965	914	906	990	883	926	1,038
7th	July 15	918	846	798	992	941	225	923
8th	Aug. 12	953	914	846	995	984	109	961
9th	Sept. 9	1,028	778	911	994	1,061	1,117	1,144
10th	Oct. 7	984	842	975	979	1,024	1,100	1,051
11th	Nov. 4	973	759	1,017	1,092	696	1,108	1,127p
12th	Dec. 2	965	869	976	1,130	1,134	1,182	1,084p
13th†	Dec. 30	886	308	932	446	830	695	
Year: Underground		12,150	9,653	10,430	10,724	10,466	9,388	
Open Cut		56	523	756	959	1,255	1,348	
Total		12,206	10,176	11,186	11,683	11,721	10,736	

## Forty-eight weeks ended—

	28th Nov.	24th Nov.	23rd Nov.	6th Dec.	4th Dec.	3rd Dec.	2nd Dec.
Northern District ...	7,679	6,550	7,038	7,540	7,241	6,442	7,726
Southern District*	2,122	1,758	1,632	1,873	1,769	1,751	2,220
Western District ...	1,519	1,560	1,584	1,824	1,881	1,848	1,918
Total : Underground	n.a.	9,361	9,576	10,302	9,721	8,790	10,417
Open Cut	n.a.	507	678	935	1,170	1,251	1,447
Total	11,320	9,868	10,254	11,237	10,891	10,041	11,864p

\* Periods in Southern District ended a week later than in other districts from 1942 to 1947.

Miners' mid-summer holidays :	1942.	1945.	1946.	1947.	1948.	1949.	1950.
In 1st Period ...	Public holidays only.	1 week	2 weeks	...	1 week	2 weeks	{N-1 wk. S&W-2 wks.
In 13th Period	...	...	...	2 weeks	1 week	{N-2 wks. S&W-1 wk.	

## 20. Consumption of Gas and Electricity, Sydney

(Index of Monthly Sales of Gas and Electricity)

Based on number of units each equal to 3,412 British Thermal Units. The base for each month is the average sales in the corresponding month of the three years, 1929 to 1931.

Month	Average 1929 to 1931	1939	1945	1946	1947	1948	1949	1950
January	100	125	173	165	170	198	218	221
February	100	125	174	181	201	208	227	241
March	100	130	171	185	199	212	231	238
April	100	125	172	189	198	218	222	226
May	100	128	178	192	198	203	229	237
June	100	131	176	197	208	214	189	232
July	100	134	184	195	212	199	118	214
August	100	135	177	195	212	214	173	234
September	100	134	180	201	214	223	228	236
October	100	135	174	203	211	216	224	238
November	100	136	179	200	214	226	239	
December	100	131	123	180	214	222	231	
Year	100	131	172	191	204	213	209	



# MONTHLY PRODUCTION, NEW SOUTH WALES

Statistics for 1948-49 are final. Figures from July, 1949, are subject to revision.

## 21. Production of Food and Drink

Period	Butter ★	Cheese ★	Processed Whole Milk Products	Bacon and Ham	Jam	Preserved Fruit	Preserved Vegetables
	Thousand lb.						
Year : 1938-39	113,841	7,193	14,357	25,987	20,635	28,387	4,902
1946-47	60,385	4,544	38,302	35,310	51,936	27,408	25,958
1947-48	76,066	5,909	46,475	31,614	58,978	30,556	25,480
1948-49	74,519	5,577	44,868	29,649	32,104	29,676	24,480
1949-50p	82,469	6,287	49,030	27,542	32,677	30,661	35,535
1949 : July-Oct.	20,779	1,635	12,860	9,065	8,123	329	9,445
1950 : July-Oct.	19,900	1,784	11,220	8,499	7,415	2,078	5,840
1949 : August	3,588	266	2,541	2,507	2,276	n.a.	2,114
September	5,618	350	3,203	2,059	3,244	148	1,908
October	8,685	774	5,313	2,285	1,976	91	3,866
1950 : August	3,467	230	1,744	2,155	2,570	433r	1,307
September	5,121	534	3,399	2,119	1,521	546r	1,010
October	8,575	873	4,837	2,213	1,066	830	2,108

Period	Flour	Bran (Wheaten)	Pollard (Wheaten)	Oatmeal and Rolled Oats	Cornflour (incl. Edible Starch)	Malt	Biscuits †
	Tons (2,000 lb.)			Cwt.		Bushels	Thous. lb
Year : 1938-39	547,162	107,779	121,154	82,706	n.a.	640,915	43,611
1946-47	537,389	98,231	124,334	152,515	158,589	608,650	47,512
1947-48	532,460	97,375	119,840	163,130	138,203	656,696	48,068
1948-49	646,199	117,813	151,468	168,448	153,853	633,741	53,299
1949-50p	579,458	98,608	132,893	161,710	148,107	616,749	61,558
1949 : July-Oct.	197,870	34,050	47,702	49,172	39,035	223,405	16,583
1950 : July-Oct.	228,301	37,916	50,787	49,816	65,667	220,472	24,687
1949 : August	40,934	6,971	10,076	13,060	9,291	59,471	3,087
September	58,543	10,038	14,128	8,734	14,287	52,346	7,238
October	58,608	10,206	13,916	9,612	13,289	56,012	5,970
1950 : August	60,726	10,114	13,410	13,762	16,368	58,628	6,488
September	57,976	9,732	12,946	9,052	19,230r	54,079	7,178
October	52,217	8,684	11,642	8,764	13,377	55,055	6,008

Period	Margarine		Ice Cream	Confectionery		Beer
	Table	Other		Chocolate	Other	
	Thousand lb.		Thous. gal.	Thousand lb.		Thous. gal.
Year : 1938-39	4,492	22,475	2,233	21,988	26,811	33,899
1946-47	9,206	21,570	5,278	28,460	35,167	50,654
1947-48	5,177	27,938	5,852	27,799	34,895	45,626
1948-49	13,559	33,598	6,954	30,612	33,073	54,104
1949-50p	9,800	38,143	7,350	30,178	33,563	54,375
1949 : July-Oct.	2,152	12,265	2,194	10,754	10,934	13,797
1950 : July-Oct.	1,046	13,076	2,041	11,681	11,999	20,591
1949 : August	212	3,656	572	2,351	2,525	3,324
September	876	3,612	583	3,720	3,691	5,151
October	743	3,383	694	3,613	3,259	4,972
1950 : August	174	3,647	506	3,345r	3,176	5,248
September	181	3,163	598	2,596	3,077	4,928
October	383	2,897	624	2,320	3,018	5,176

\* Production in factories only.

† Excluding ice cream cones.

## 22. Production of Metals, Coal, and Energy

Period	Gold	Coal	Coke (Metallurg.)	Pig Iron	Ingot Steel	Gas	Electricity
	Fine oz.	Thousand tons				Mill. cub. ft.	Mill. kWh
Year : 1938-39	88,488	11,196*	1,136†	1,105†	1,168†	10,896	1,948
1946-47	43,607	11,212	1,184†	926†	1,312†	16,744	3,229
1947-48	50,599	11,780	1,366†	1,030†	1,343†	18,093	3,546
1948-49	57,981	11,736	1,130	897	1,129	18,151	3,717
1949-50p	47,288	11,290	1,221	1,001	1,246	18,031	3,756
1949 : July-October	13,604	3,204	315	249	309	5,652	1,082
1950 : July-October	11,857	4,632	535	410	498	6,662	1,474
1949 : August	450	815	55	40	46	1,370	262
September	6,546	1,236	120	94	134	1,656	323
October	5,892	1,148	128	99	129	1,592	317
1950 : August	2,685	1,229	134	104	125	1,768	381
September	3,546	1,152r	139	106	136	1,659	355
October	3,311	1,209	140	112	133	1,628	353

\* Year ended 31st December, 1939.

† Year ended 31st May.

‡ Monthly totals are approximate.

## 23. Production of Miscellaneous Metal Products

Period	Engines (Internal Combustion)		Electric Motors		Motor Bodies		Cycles
	Marine	Other	Under 1 h.p.	Over 1 h.p.	Trucks, Trailers and Vans	Other	
Number							
Year : 1938-39	977	1,214	26,671*		3,553	2,023	36,416
1946-47	2,803	8,943	82,382*		2,071	774	30,259
1947-48	2,839	11,165	80,465*	25,533*	2,384	988	28,567
1948-49	2,343	16,666	184,290	32,338	3,391	1,145	27,605
1949-50p	2,158	17,164	278,815	28,640	3,618	1,110	27,939
1949 : July-October	709	4,598	67,902	7,092	1,093	304	7,157
1950 : July-October	689	7,377	114,332	12,517	1,767	252	10,099
1949 : August	188	916	12,675	1,008	257	66	1,029
September	210	1,654	24,142	3,085	318	103	2,322
October	180	1,494	27,227	2,667	330	96	2,194
1950 : August	175	1,940	29,790	3,396	424	81	2,579
September	186	1,914	29,598	3,242	423	49	2,358
October	172	1,763	28,908	3,090	543	48	2,644

\* Electric motors for sale as such; later totals include electric motors incorporated in finished products.

## 24. Production of Clothing

Period	Hats (Felt)	Corsets and Corselets	Brassieres	Gloves		Boots, Shoes, and Sandals*	Slippers
				Dress	Work*		
	Dozen			Dozen pairs		Thousand pairs	
Year : 1938-39	135,262	46,112	35,424	1,265	38,553	4,767	3,107
1946-47	142,781	37,287	87,564	16,562	119,560	7,201	3,041
1947-48	140,662	44,285	84,945	13,866	104,793	6,250	3,143
1948-49	147,498	46,521	116,876	9,727	106,474	6,117	2,804
1949-50p	113,486	41,950	161,056	7,280	104,622	5,561	2,665
1949 : July-October	20,893	10,572	48,244	2,200	32,423	1,809	958
1950 : July-October	30,030	16,044	67,178	3,758	45,716	2,177	947
1949 : August	5,568	2,537	13,841	507	8,423	501	259
September	8,523	3,037	13,264	588	9,632	524	280
October	6,068	3,274	12,926	625	9,500	509	258
1950 : August	7,920	4,643	18,057	940	12,983	563	261
September	6,797	4,134	17,277	979	11,328	563	240
October	8,397	3,856	17,964	925	11,158	546	229

\* Excluding articles of rubber.

## 25. Production of Building Materials and Fittings

Period	Sawn Timber (Native)	Bricks (Clay)	Tiles		Asbestos Cement Building Sheets	Fibrous Plaster Sheets	Cement
			Terra Cotta	Cement			
	Mill. sup. ft.	Thousands			Thousand sq. yd.		Tons
Year :							
1938-39	179.4	379,236	20,129	n.a.	5,291	2,671	432,487
1946-47	300.9	249,533	19,523	230	9,657	3,397	393,397
1947-48	332.6	303,221	21,594	2,841	9,018	3,985	441,023
1948-49	353.7	314,323	22,783	5,642	8,695	4,415	465,354
1949-50p	340.5	293,356	21,615	8,364	8,922	4,161	563,267
1949 : July-Oct.	118.7	76,634	6,064	1,846	2,234	1,183	148,444
1950 : July-Oct.	98.8	118,104	7,084	3,814	n.y.a.	1,718	n.y.a.
1949 : August	28.2	15,831	1,271	293	412	253	n.a.
September	26.2	28,349	2,090	647	861	387	59,498
October	31.4	27,833	2,072	764	961	360	51,479
1950 : August	18.1	31,563	1,708	885	874	422	58,381
September	17.2	30,648	1,909	993	n.y.a.	455	57,162
October	29.0	30,495	1,996	1,093	n.y.a.	450	n.y.a.

Period	Paint (Ready- Mixed)	Lacquers, Enamels, etc.	Stoves, Domestic Cooking				Gas Meters
			Solid Fuel	Gas	Electric		
					Stoves	Stovettes	
Thousand gal.		Number					
Year : 1938-39	n.a.	863	17,154	17,736	4,930		24,619
1946-47	1,568	1,138	12,033	12,883	31,221		32,675
1947-48	1,762	1,404	11,748	14,627	8,942	27,912	43,552
1948-49	1,823	1,569	12,810	19,906	18,908	24,903	44,249
1949-50p	1,863	1,843	10,798	20,071	12,665	23,128	39,870
1949 : July-Oct.	583	510	2,840	5,417	2,854	4,968	11,823
1950 : July-Oct.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	4,867	8,366	6,152	10,924	14,904
1949 : August	142	107	450	753	473	1,119	1,752
September	197	175	1,164	2,322	1,224	1,612	4,266
October	178	150	986	2,282	1,020	1,527	3,915
1950 : August	195	162	1,331	2,109	1,610	2,996	n.a.
September	212	165	1,284	2,210	1,616	2,968	3,725
October	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	1,153	2,155	1,572	3,099	4,022

Period	Baths (All types)	Sinks		Bath Heaters			Coppers (complete)		
		Stainless Steel	Other	Solid Fuel	Gas	Electric	Solid Fuel	Gas	Electric
Number									
Year : 1938-39	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
1946-47	n.a.	6,969	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
1947-48	35,219	13,079	n.a.	35,696	28,337	7,375	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
1948-49	45,646	12,867	34,065	35,201	22,414	6,301	58,969	24,256	14,121
1949-50p	44,310	16,549	21,687	45,216	13,691	7,298	78,380	20,277	9,946
1949 : July-Oct.	13,017	4,038	7,232	18,193	3,604	1,745	17,795	5,555	2,537
1950 : July-Oct.	15,854	7,988	7,109	16,011	6,096	2,882	34,570	8,147	3,805
1949 : August	2,413	694	888	6,315	754	229	2,804	565	467
September	4,383	1,178	2,463	2,896	1,300	449	5,064	2,664	923
October	3,923	1,331	1,868	1,935	1,174	776	6,801	2,142	1,079
1950 : August	4,248	2,122	2,191	3,995	2,169	583	7,572	2,271	959
September	3,969	1,849	1,647	3,210	1,394	938	9,924	2,096	844
October	3,950	1,914	1,162	4,661	1,326	846	6,556	2,189	1,025

## 26. Production of Miscellaneous Products

Period	Refrigerators, Household			Wireless Cabinets	Perambulators
	Electric	Gas	Kerosene		
	Number				
Year : 1938-39	.....	13,102	.....	133,760	42,282
1946-47	21,567	12,598	6,810	196,978	48,859
1947-48	31,772	25,591	9,195	213,226	56,201
1948-49	50,995	21,924	11,313	180,023	45,754
1949-50p	53,956	11,919	17,539	217,155	43,363
1949: July-Oct.	13,420	4,288	5,355	57,164	11,402
1950: July-Oct.	21,221	n.a.	5,699	103,661	14,207
1949: August	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	11,539	2,898
September	5,824	1,695	1,620	22,981	3,732
October	6,023	1,648	1,556	21,460	3,022
1950: August	5,386r	n.a.	993	25,389	4,149
September	5,785r	n.a.	856	23,692	3,932
October	5,905	n.a.	1,979	28,641	3,309

Period	Mattresses			Sulphate of Ammonia	Sulphuric Acid
	Spring	Inner Spring	Other		
	Number				
Year : 1938-39	79,140	17,407	n.a.	20,960	85,501
1946-47	59,782	36,296	129,937	22,377	113,572
1947-48	59,491	52,582	181,078	24,611	111,101
1948-49	55,590	85,574	166,699	28,780	94,542
1949-50p	74,401	103,414	191,917	33,041	88,264
1949: July-Oct.	23,023	29,778	62,229	5,803	17,817
1950: July-Oct.	23,338	42,808	58,616	13,363	35,057
1949: August	5,817	7,435	15,148	n.a.	n.a.
September	6,840	9,915	19,606	2,100	8,481
October	6,384	8,884	18,458	2,340	5,530
1950: August	6,420	10,404	15,613	3,672	8,605
September	6,322	12,232	15,743	3,455	8,598
October	5,886	11,504	14,524	3,437	9,282

Period	Soap			Soap Extracts and Powders	Glycerine (Refined)
	Household	Toilet	Other		
	Cwt.				
Year : 1938-39	321,957	107,390	58,345	60,102	18,964
1946-47	161,822	188,232	79,311	196,457	21,928
1947-48	217,042	224,716	114,345	279,658	20,019
1948-49	234,127	219,348	159,753	340,955	35,189
1949-50p	213,686	240,526	130,156	419,026	34,110
1949: July-Oct.	78,333	66,684	40,014	158,376	8,848
1950: July-Oct.	68,285	72,740	36,528	148,935	16,493
1949: August	20,980	16,642	9,972	n.a.	n.a.
September	21,988	25,159	11,364	37,405	3,465
October	19,792	17,114	11,925	40,514	2,657
1950: August	16,230	14,619	10,028	37,181	4,457
September	14,596	18,243	8,851	40,756	4,325
October	17,386	24,289	9,476	33,661	4,058



## 27. Index of Rainfall in Rural Districts, New South Wales

(Normal rainfall for each month = 100)

Month	Sheep Districts					Wheat Districts				Coastal Dairying Districts			
	N.	C.	S.	W.	T.	N.	C.	S.	T.	N.	C.	S.	T.
1949 : October	277	197	242	283	243	246	176	258	235	235	117	97	187
November	153	129	195	104	155	162	153	192	178	82	114	232	109
December	42	57	55	21	48	41	69	53	56	48	62	51	52
1950 : January	101	193	115	85	130	59	174	110	120	70	126	167	97
February	220	346	337	361	309	218	343	361	339	220	210	284	226
March	70	286	437	371	283	50	286	445	354	85	56	340	110
April	236	252	141	168	202	302	238	121	174	138	145	285	159
May	101	113	118	117	112	117	122	107	112	36	101	209	75
June	276	217	89	161	186	235	224	90	143	477	561	306	476
July	365	248	143	307	253	325	230	143	188	476	304	210	398
August	71	121	84	42	86	72	132	79	92	207	205	104	193
September	130	141	94	72	115	109	135	95	107	79	108	106	90
October	322	417	269	392	339	313	353	261	291	192	186	252	198
November	305	373	168	275	276	333	330	157	224	191	285	136	208

N.—Northern.

C.—Central.

S.—Southern.

W.—Western.

T.—Total, all Districts.

## WOOL

### 28. Number of Sheep, Sheep Shorn, and Production of Wool, New South Wales

Sheep as at 31st March. Sheep Shorn and Wool Production (as in grease) in season ended June

Particulars	1938-39	1941-42	1945-46	1946-47	1947-48	1948-49	1949-50
Sheep ... mill.	48.9	56.7	44.1	43.1	46.1	50.4	53.3
Sheep shorn ... mill.	51.5	58.5	45.4	43.1	43.7	48.1	53.6
Wool produced* mill. lb.	437.1	547.0	431.5	432.6	422.3	463.2	515.0

\* Includes crutchings and wool from skins.

### 29. Wool Received into Store and Unsold in Store, New South Wales

(Excluding Albury Centre and Joint Organisation Stocks)

Period	Received into Store during period				Unsold in Store at end of period			
	Sydney	New-castle	Goul-burn	Total	Sydney	New-castle	Goul-burn	Total
Thousand bales								
Season : 1946-47	922.8	158.2	42.7	1,123.7	34.5	4.6	0.3	39.4
1947-48	869.2	152.1	46.9	1,068.2	13.7	1.2	0.2	15.1
1948-49	998.9	181.1	54.4	1,234.4	75.7	2.8	0.5	79.0
1949-50	1,066.6	218.9	57.0	1,342.5	11.6	1.3	0.1	13.0
1949 : July-Oct.	552.1	115.0	26.3	693.4	260.0	57.1	20.8	337.9
1950 : July-Oct.	515.5	87.2	26.9	629.6	205.3	50.4	20.5	276.2
1949 : August	154.9	35.0	1.1	191.0	219.5	48.3	1.7	269.5
September	175.4	31.3	8.3	215.0	239.4	50.1	10.1	299.6
October	171.1	36.8	16.7	224.6	260.0	57.1	20.8	337.9
1950 : August	98.7	12.6	1.9	113.2	76.0	15.4	2.0	93.4
September	182.6	41.5	7.6	231.7	138.3	56.9	9.7	204.9
October	201.8	31.6	17.3	250.7	205.3	50.4	20.5	276.2

### 30. Wool : Sales at Auction, New South Wales

Excluding Albury Centre. Includes small quantities bought-in by Joint Organisation, but excludes sales from stocks held by Joint Organisation.

	Wool Sold					Amount Realised			
Period	Greasy and Scoured			Total		Sydney	New-castle	Goul-burn	Total
	Sydney	New-castle	Goul-burn	Greasy	Scoured				
	Thousand bales *								
Season : 1938-39	1,144.6	32.1	...	1,118.9	57.8	n.a.	n.a.	...	15,521
1946-47	889.8	154.1	42.4	1,014.0	72.3	26,906	4,551	1,453	32,910
1947-48	882.2	148.6	47.0	994.8	83.0	42,881	7,556	2,535	52,972
1948-49	925.4	170.2	54.0	1,079.0	70.6	53,699	10,193	3,439	67,331
1949-50	1,118.4	202.7	57.1	1,293.8	84.4	86,510	16,217	4,987	107,714
1949 : July-Oct.	361.3	55.5	5.9	394.3	28.4	21,245	3,301	387	24,933
1950 : July-Oct.	321.5	38.1	6.5	333.2	32.9	47,073	5,673	925	53,671
1949 : August	56.5	...	...	50.4	6.1	3,131	...	...	3,131
September	153.4	27.8	...	172.6	8.6	8,299	1,482	...	9,781
October	148.6	27.6	5.9	171.1	11.0	9,682	1,809	387	11,878
1950 : August	59.5	...	...	46.7	12.8	8,047	...	...	8,047
September	120.2	...	...	114.2	6.0	17,833	...	...	17,833
October	134.8	38.1	6.5	172.3	7.1	20,632	5,673	925	27,230

\* Scoured bales not converted to greasy basis.

### 31. Prices of Greasy Wool, Sydney and New South Wales

Season	Average Price at Auction		Month	Average Price that would be realised if whole N.S.W. clip was sold at price level of current month		
	Sydney	New South Wales *		1948-49	1949-50	1950-51
	Pence per lb.			Pence per lb.		
1938-39	10.3	+	July	46.5§	45.0§	78.5§
1939-40†	13.4	+	August	46.5§	46.0§	114.5
1945-46†	15.1	+	September	47.0	45.0	118.0
1946-47	23.3	23.6	October	43.5	52.0	118.0p
1947-48	37.2	37.9	November	48.5	55.5	128.0p
1948-49	46.1	46.8	March	54.5§	69.5	
1949-50	60.7	61.8	June	45.0	78.5	

\* Excluding Albury (regarded as a Victorian selling centre). † Based on United Kingdom purchase prices; does not allow for payments accruing for profits on re-sale of contract wool. ‡ Prior to 1939-45 War, nearly all New South Wales wool was sold in Sydney. § Nominal.

### 32. Wheat Growing in New South Wales

Season	Holdings with 20 acres or more Wheat for Grain	Area under Wheat		Yield of Grain	
		Total	For Grain	Total	Average per acre
	Number	Acres		Bushels	
1935-36 to 1944-45*	15,875†	4,194,269	3,832,414	48,480,000	12.7
1945-46	n.a.	4,213,431	3,773,901	62,520,000	16.6
1946-47	15,971	4,772,978	4,474,894	15,682,000	3.5
1947-48	16,803	5,355,169	5,043,017	95,227,000	18.9
1948-49	15,674	4,242,969	4,038,447	64,704,000	16.0
1949-50	15,594	4,173,857	4,011,744	81,939,000	20.4

\* Annual average.

† Average of six seasons 1935-36 to 1940-41.

Returns collected from wheat-growers in March to June, 1950, indicate that the area sown with wheat (for all purposes) in the 1950-51 season will be 3,810,000 acres. The Department of Agriculture forecasted on December 1, 1950, that the yield of grain in 1950-51 would be 45,000,000 bushels.

### 33. Wheat : Prices and Return to Growers, New South Wales, and Prices in Canada

Period*	Australian Wheat Board		Net Return, f.o.r. country siding, to N.S.W. Growers§	Canadian No. 1 Northern Wheat ; in store, Fort William-Port Arthur and Vancouver
	Export Price†	Home Consumption Price‡		For Commercial Export
				(Can.) Cents per bushel
Season : 1938-39	2 6.1	2 5.9	2 2.8	62.0
1946-47	14 1	3 11.3	10 3.8	244.0
1947-48	19 4.7	6 0.3	11 10.3	287.9
1948-49	15 8.2	6 8	9 2.0p	226.3
1949-50	18 5.8	n.y.a.	0 11.2p	218.6
1950 : March	19 0	6 8		222.9
April	19 0	6 8		222.5
May	19 0	6 8		213.9
June	18 6.8	6 8		206.2
July	18 6	6 8		206.1
August	18 6	6 8		203.6
September	18 6	6 8		199.0
October	18 6	6 8		195.7
November	18 6	6 8		194.2

\* Yearly averages are for years ended July for Australian export and Canadian wheats, and for years ended November for Australian home consumption wheat. † Basic export selling price for non-contract wheat and wheat in excess of International Wheat Agreement quota; much wheat is sold under contract at fixed prices for delivery over lengthy periods. Current maximum and minimum prices under International Agreement are 16s. 1d. and 13s. 5d. per bushel. ‡ To millers, bulk basis, f.o.r. ports. § Allowing for cost of bags and including Governmental assistance to wheat growers. || For Australian wheat the bases are—**Export** : 1938-39, weighted average shippers' limits for bulk and bagged lots, f.o.r. Sydney, Melbourne, and Adelaide; 1946-47 to 1948-49, average for bulk and bagged wheat f.o.r. ports; 1949-50, f.a.q. bulk wheat f.o.b.; **Home Consumption** : wholesale price in Sydney for f.a.q. wheat.

### 34. Whole Milk Production, New South Wales

Period.	Year	July	August	September	May	June
	Thousand gallons.					
1934-35 to 1938-39*	331,963	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
1939-40 to 1943-44*	300,682	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
1946-47	254,094	15,366	15,951	17,040	19,393	17,738
1947-48	295,371	16,999	16,074	18,686	19,905	15,896
1948-49	291,915	15,144	17,306	20,556	19,874	16,787
1949-50p	307,115	15,498	17,511	22,207	20,448	16,007
1950-51p		14,441	16,872	21,960		

\* Annual average.

### 35. Butter : Prices, Export and Local, and Return to Farmer

Season	Export*	Sydney Wholesale	Net Return to farmer †	Month	Export*	Sydney Wholesale
	s. d. per lb.				s. d. per lb.	
1938-39	1 1.2	1 5	1 1	1949 : September	2 9.6	1 11.1
1945-46	1 7.8	1 5.9	1 8.3	October	2 9.6	1 11.1
1946-47	1 11.2	1 5.9	1 8.3	November	2 9.6	1 11.1
1947-48	2 3.3	1 7.5	1 11.9	1950 : September	2 9.6p	1 11.1
1948-49	2 7.3	1 11.1	2 1.9	October	2 9.6p	1 11.1
1949-50	2 9.6	1 11.1	2 4.5p	November	2 9.6p	1 11.1

\* United Kingdom contract price, f.o.b., Australia, except 1938-39, which is Sydney parity of average top price, London, weighted by monthly New South Wales exports. † Average price paid for cream supplied to New South Wales factories, inclusive of government subsidy in 1945-46 and later years.

### 36. Oversea Trade, New South Wales and Australia

Period	New South Wales			Australia			Gold Production
	Merchandise						
	Imports	Exports	Excess of Exports	Imports	Exports	Excess of Exports	
	£A million f.o.b.						
Year : 1938-39	49.9	37.7	(—) 12.2	113.2	121.5	8.3	14.6
1946-47	93.0	116.5	23.5	208.3	308.9	100.6	9.9
1947-48	150.4	134.7	(—) 15.7	338.1	405.0	66.9	9.7
1948-49	177.2	176.6	(—) 0.6	414.1	541.1	127.0	10.0
1949-50	214.0	216.6	2.6	536.2	611.6	75.4	12.5
1949 : July-Oct.	62.7	55.5	(—) 7.2	155.5	153.5	(—) 2.0	3.6
1950 : July-Oct.	92.6	73.0	(—) 19.6	226.3	221.3	(—) 5.0	n.y.a.
1949 : August	14.6	12.1	(—) 2.5	37.0	35.5	(—) 1.5	0.8
September	16.1	11.7	(—) 4.4	41.0	36.1	(—) 4.9	0.9
October	16.2	16.5	0.3	42.4	44.9	2.5	1.2
1950 : August	25.4	13.2	(—) 12.2	64.0	38.4	(—) 25.6	1.1
September	24.7	13.3	(—) 11.4	56.9	46.7	(—) 10.2	1.1
October	21.4	30.6	9.2	54.8	87.2	32.4	n.y.a.

(—) Denotes excess of Imports.

### 37. Wholesale Trade, New South Wales

Sales of taxable and exempt goods by traders registered under Sales Tax Acts

Period	1939-40	1945-46	1946-47	1947-48	1948-49	1949-50	1950-51
£ million							
July	15.3	22.0	25.7	27.8	35.3	36.2	50.6
August	16.8	20.2	28.7	32.1	39.7	35.7	53.4
September	19.4	23.7	29.0	32.0	39.1	41.0	
March	17.0	22.3	24.2	33.2	35.7	42.3	
April	17.9	26.9	27.3	33.8	39.9	55.8	
May	14.8	25.2	30.3	35.6	42.3	54.6	
June	17.1	23.6	28.0	34.7	37.0	47.4	
Year ended June	204.3	264.8	320.3	382.5	452.8	537.8	

### 38. Retail Trade : Principal City Stores, Sydney

Compiled by Retail Traders' Association Research Bureau in conjunction with Commonwealth Bank

Period	Business Days in Period		Value of Net Sales	Value of Stock	Wages and Salaries Paid	Number of Employees*	Three months ended in month shown	
	Previous Year	Current Year					Value of Net Sales	Wages and Salaries Paid
	Number						Percentage increase (+) or decrease (—) compared with corresponding period of preceding year.	
Year : 1946	301	302	+ 32.2	+ 3.8	+ 28.0	+ 20.0		
1947	302	302	+ 18.7	+ 32.5	+ 21.5	+ 8.6		
1948	302	303	+ 16.3	+ 20.6	+ 20.6	+ 6.0		
1949	303	302	+ 6.8	+ 6.7	+ 13.8	+ 0.4		
1949 : April	25	22	+ 1.4	+ 6.1	+ 17.7	+ 1.5	+ 12.1	+ 18.1
May	26	26	+ 15.2	+ 5.7	+ 18.4	+ 3.3	+ 12.3	+ 18.0
June	25	25	+ 2.4	+ 7.8	+ 19.0	+ 1.8	+ 6.2	+ 18.4
July	27	26	— 16.3	+ 8.6	+ 3.3	— 1.1	+ 0.9	+ 13.4
August	26	27	— 2.8	+ 6.1	+ 11.8	— 1.8	— 5.3	+ 11.2
Sept.	26	26	+ 4.1	+ 5.8	+ 9.6	— 2.2	— 4.5	+ 8.3
1950 : April	22	22	— 0.3	+ 8.3	+ 3.5	— 3.1	+ 6.2	+ 5.1
May	26	27	+ 14.7	+ 5.8	+ 8.9	— 2.4	+ 7.6	+ 6.2
June	25	25	+ 15.0	+ 3.3	+ 8.9	— 0.8	+ 9.6	+ 7.1
July	26	26	+ 31.1	+ 1.6	+ 17.8	+ 2.9	+ 19.1	+ 11.7
August	27	27	+ 39.1	+ 1.2	+ 14.8	+ 4.9	+ 28.7	+ 13.8
Sept.	26	26	+ 27.9	+ 5.7	+ 16.6	+ 3.7	+ 32.9	+ 16.4

Further particulars of monthly employment in retail trade are shown in Table 4.

## BANKING

Of the 18 trading banks which conduct business in Australia, 14 operate in New South Wales, comprising 9 private trading banks, the Commonwealth Bank of Australia, the Rural Bank of N.S.W. and 3 overseas banks.

### 39. Trading Banks : Deposits and Assets in Australia

Average of Weekly Figures

Month	Deposits*	Balances due to other Banks	Cash Items	Treasury Bills	Government and Municipal Securities	Special Deposits with Commonwealth Bank	Loans, Advances and Bills Discounted
£ million							
NINE TRADING BANKS							
1939 : June	318.0	n.a.	28.6	23.9	22.1	...	291.7
1945 : June	582.5	n.a.	36.5	46.5	104.3	241.8	207.9
1947 : June	648.3	2.5	34.4	13.8	80.6	275.4	289.7
1948 : June	716.8	27.5†	45.6	19.1	59.5	293.0	348.8
1949 : June*	817.4	49.8	40.0	11.1	62.5	381.2	383.3
1950 : June	1,004.9	45.8	51.1	20.2	96.5	442.8	427.2
1949 : September	802.3	25.6	49.8	17.2	76.6	308.3	393.7
October	821.4	20.2	51.8	25.2	75.7	307.0	400.7
1950 : September	1,002.3	51.1	60.0	18.5	92.9	448.5	449.2
October	1,057.1	45.2	58.1	29.6	84.6	458.8	465.0
COMMONWEALTH BANK (OTHER THAN CENTRAL BANKING)							
1947 : June	59.4	0.3	6.4	2.1	35.7	...	28.9
1948 : June	61.8	0.3	7.0	0.8	33.6	...	37.9
1949 : June	69.9	11.0	5.9	...	34.4	...	57.7
1950 : June	87.8	15.9	4.9	6.5	29.8	...	95.7
1949 : September	82.5	12.6	23.2	...	29.6	...	64.3
October	85.6	13.2	21.3	...	31.6	...	67.2
1950 : September	100.3	16.9	8.0	11.2	32.1	...	96.2
October	105.4	16.5	5.9	14.2	32.6	...	95.5
ALL (18) TRADING BANKS							
1947 : June	723.5	3.0	43.1	17.2	127.9	277.2	352.1
1948 : June	800.0	28.6	56.5	21.0	106.4	294.0	424.6
1949 : June*	914.8	61.0	49.1	12.2	111.5	382.8	482.9
1950 : June	1,131.9	62.0	59.4	27.9	139.0	447.8	574.2
1949 : September	911.4	38.3	75.8	17.4	119.0	310.0	502.3
October	934.0	33.5	76.3	25.4	119.2	308.7	512.8
1950 : September	1,141.4	68.1	71.9	30.7	135.8	452.2	600.2
October	1,202.0	61.9	68.5	44.9	127.9	462.5	616.7

\* Since January, 1949, technical changes by certain banks in method of compilation have had the effect of reducing deposits and advances by like amounts (the amounts in months of change were £9,000,000 in January and £2,600,000 in July, 1949). † In nine trading banks, the increase after June, 1947, consists mainly of short-term loans from Central Bank.

### 40. Trading Banks : Deposits and Advances in New South Wales

Average of Weekly Figures

Month	Nine Trading Banks				Commonwealth Bank*		All (14) Banks	
	Deposits†			Advances†	Deposits	Advances	Deposits†	Advances†
	Not Bearing Interest	Bearing Interest	Total					
£ million								
1947 : June	174.6	69.7	244.3	116.5	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
1948 : June	197.5	67.9	265.4	142.9	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
1949 : June†	228.1	73.2	301.3	150.4	40.5	27.0	358.5	208.6
1950 : June	311.8	82.2	394.0	166.2	49.2	37.5	470.7	242.0
1949 : Sept.	225.3	71.8	297.1	151.1	38.9	30.4	352.5	214.7
Oct.	234.2	71.8	306.0	154.9	40.8	31.6	363.7	220.3
1950 : Sept.	306.4	82.3	388.7	170.9	50.2	41.2	465.6	252.7
Oct.	323.9	82.6	406.5	175.8	54.0	41.8	488.2	258.8

\* Other than Central Banking. † Since January, 1949, technical changes by certain banks in method of compilation have had the effect of reducing deposits and advances by like amounts (the amounts in months of change were £5.8 m. in January, and £0.7 m. in July, 1949).



#### 41. Savings Banks in New South Wales and Australia

Period	New South Wales					Australia	
	Active Accounts*	Deposits	Interest Credited	Withdrawals	Depositors' Balances*	Active Accounts*	Depositors' Balances*
	Thousand	£ thousand				Thousand	£ thousand
Year : 1938-39	1,330	66,577	1,610	67,155	87,474	3,858	245,587
1945-46	1,911	191,112	3,801	156,874	236,242	5,467	663,554
1946-47	1,967	158,994	4,054	167,922	231,368	5,593	660,015
1947-48	2,013	160,875	3,991	159,270	236,964	5,728	681,318
1948-49	2,072	171,622	4,062	168,165	244,483	5,890	714,219
1949-50	2,138	201,479	4,208	191,296	258,874	6,105	762,087
1949 : July	2,083	15,868		14,286	246,065	5,920	719,617
August	2,089	14,900		14,963	246,002	5,937	721,390
September	2,098	15,843		15,719	246,125	5,953	723,228
October	2,107	16,998		15,205	247,918	5,976	727,881
1950 : July	2,156	18,206		17,037	260,043	6,150	763,887
August	2,067	17,842		18,865	259,020	5,990	762,379
September	2,077	19,132		18,457	259,696	6,002	766,455
October	2,084	17,883		18,304	259,274	6,021	766,612

\* At end of period.

**Savings Certificates.**—The issue of savings certificates ceased on 31st January, 1949. The net amounts outstanding in New South Wales and Australia at various dates were :—

At 30th June	N.S.W.	Australia	End of Month	N.S.W.	Australia
	£ thousand			£ thousand	
1940	2,440	6,100	1949—August	24,610	60,949
1947	21,983	59,526	Sept.	24,369	60,357
1948	25,719	64,483			
1949	25,081	62,198	1950—August	21,815	53,896
1950	22,330	55,025	Sept.	21,525	53,299

#### 42. Inter-Bank Clearings, Sydney

Value of cheques drawn on a bank other than the bank in which they were deposited

Period	Amount of Clearings—£ million					Index Number of Clearings				
	1938-39	1947-48	1948-49	1949-50	1950-51	1938-39	1947-48	1948-49	1949-50	1950-51
July	70.5	183.4	230.3	244.7	302.7	101	229	291	326	402
August	72.9	162.4	199.3	208.5	283.7	101	227	287	314	398
September	77.6	176.9	229.7	271.1	354.6	99	232	293	303	393
October	79.5	197.3	238.2	259.2	368.5	101	234	291	302	413
November	82.7	203.8	237.3	291.6	378.3	102	243	298	328	442
December	88.1	192.2	246.5	304.9		102	243	296	350	
January	66.5	171.3	191.4	247.6		98	236	282	352	
February	75.5	182.0	213.2	282.1		96	231	274	351	
March	80.5	196.4	238.0	358.0		93	230	267	367	
April	70.7	205.9	244.7	272.9		98	253	300	391	
May	82.0	233.1	261.2	324.2		100	269	315	402	
June	80.3	230.1	269.8	332.3		101	289	336	402	
Year	926.8	2,334.8	2,799.6	3,397.1		99	248	298	356	

The index may be regarded as an approximate measure of changes in the volume of business transactions settled by cheques provided it is considered in conjunction with changes in price levels. It represents the ratio of each month's clearings to the average for the month concerned during the five years 1926-1930. This average is represented by 100 each month. Seasonal fluctuations have thus been eliminated. Casual fluctuations in monthly index numbers have been smoothed out by taking a three months' moving average, that is, the index shown above for each month is the average of the actual index of that month and the preceding two months. It may be compared vertically or horizontally.

## 43. Interest Rates, New South Wales

Period	Private First Mortgages Registered*		Yield on Commonwealth Government Securities†		Trading Banks‡			Savings Bank Deposits‡		Treasury Bills‡ (Dis-count)
	Urban	Rural	Short-dated : 2 years	Long-dated : 12 years	Fixed Deposits		Over-draft (Max.)	To £500	£500 to £1,000	
					3 months	24 months				
Per cent. per annum										
Year : 1938-39	5.5	5.1	3.67	3.85	2.00	3.00	5.75§	2.00	1.75¶	1.75
1945-46	4.7	4.4	2.18	3.24	0.50	1.50	4.75	2.00	1.00	1.00
1947-48	4.4	4.3	2.34	3.17	0.50	1.50	4.50	2.00	1.00	1.00
1948-49	4.4	4.3	2.07	3.15	0.50	1.50	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75
1949-50	4.4	4.3	1.95	3.13	0.50	1.50	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75
1949 : October	4.4	4.2	1.96	3.13	0.50	1.50	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75
1950 : January	4.4	4.3	1.83	3.11	0.50	1.50	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75
February	4.4	4.3	1.95	3.12	0.50	1.50	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75
March	4.4	4.3	1.95	3.12	0.50	1.50	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75
April	4.4	4.3	1.97	3.14	0.50	1.50	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75
May	4.4	4.3	1.97	3.13	0.50	1.50	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75
June	4.4	4.3	1.94	3.15	0.50	1.50	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75
July	4.4	4.3	1.96	3.14	0.50	1.50	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75
August	4.4	4.3	2.00	3.15	0.50	1.50	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75
September	4.4	4.3	1.97	3.14	0.50	1.50	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75
October	4.4	4.3	1.96	3.13	0.50	1.50	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75

\* Average for year or for 3 months ended month shown. † Average for year or as at last Wednesday in month. ‡ Estimated by Commonwealth Bank from securities maturing under 5 years (short) and 10 or more years (long). 1938-39 subject to Commonwealth Income Tax rates not exceeding those in 1930, later years to current tax rates. § Rate current at end of period. ¶ Applies to certain banks; later rates are maximum permitted by regulation. || 1½ to limit of £1,300 until March, 1942. || From December, 1945, rate on first £10,000 of deposits 1.50 per cent., on excess 1 per cent.

## 44. Index of Value of Shares on Sydney Stock Exchange

The index relates to the value of ordinary shares on the Sydney Stock Exchange of principal companies (excluding banks), whose business is conducted wholly or largely in New South Wales. The prices of individual shares are unweighted, and each group average is the mean of the average monthly prices per £1 of paid-up capital. The aggregate index is the average of all the shares included in the groups with the addition of 24 miscellaneous shares. There is no base period as the index represents the ratio per cent. of the average prices of ordinary shares to their par values, adjustment being made for changes in capital structure.

Month	23 Manufacturing and Distributing Companies	10 Retail Companies	8 Public Utility Companies	5 Pastoral Finance Companies	5 Insurance Companies	Total, 75*	34 Active Shares included in foregoing
1939 : Aug.	212.6	168.2	156.0	118.2	263.9	174.4	181.9
1945 : Sept.	242.7	207.8	170.8	146.7	264.6	195.8	210.3
1948 : Sept.	359.6	316.0	173.1	184.5	414.6	264.2	276.1
Dec.	351.7	301.0	172.6	180.6	431.0	259.4	268.2
1949 : Mar.	345.1	288.3	165.2	180.6	464.1	254.6	262.2
June	326.9	274.4	153.1	171.7	462.3	242.4	246.4
Sept.	340.1	289.1	157.8	183.7	473.6	252.1	259.0
Nov.	358.3	294.5	158.4	190.7	493.1	262.4	270.2
Dec.	365.6	295.3	158.1	193.1	497.3	265.9	273.7
1950 : Mar.	389.4	315.2	159.0	202.6	545.4	285.4	285.6
May	399.1	319.1	155.4	219.0	574.7	293.4	297.1
June	399.3	318.7	155.3	227.4	576.7	293.6	297.5
July	390.0	320.9	153.9	219.9	579.0	289.1	292.0
Aug.	402.0	323.8	158.5	234.9	595.7	296.9	303.3
Sept.	419.1	330.4	157.2	254.3	601.6	306.4	310.4
Oct.	429.1	338.5	156.5	249.8	611.2	312.1	315.4
Nov.	468.1	357.9	164.3	279.4	673.0	334.8	335.7

\* Including 24 miscellaneous companies.

### 45. Real Estate Transactions and Crop, Wool, and Stock Mortgages Registered in New South Wales

Period	Real Estate Conveyances and Transfers		Mortgages*	Crop Liens	Wool Liens†	Livestock Mortgages†
	Number		£ thousand			
Year : 1938-39	50,295	35,272	25,068	1,908	3,064	1,736
1947-48	79,694	60,202	30,924	460	2,100	2,011
1948-49	86,201	62,229	32,518	333	2,391	2,768
1949-50	105,589	125,952	57,382	460	3,115	2,845
1949 : July-Nov.	42,640	40,237	20,415	246	1,365	1,314
1950 : July-Nov.	47,414	73,256	30,916	188	1,923	1,315
1949 : September	8,995	8,097	4,010	86	379	354
October	6,560	7,197	4,496	57	233	218
November	10,302	11,210	3,892	38	177	277
1950 : September	9,639	15,813	5,153	49	387	301
October	8,961	13,941	4,958	38	397	303
November	8,474	13,240	6,556	18	315	336

\* As consideration is not recorded in many mortgages, the amount is understated; it relates to mortgages in fixed amounts for fixed periods and excludes fluctuating advances secured by mortgage. † Loans secured by both lien on wool and mortgage on sheep are included under both headings.

### 46. Life Assurance, New South Wales

#### (a) New Policies Issued (exclusive of annuities)\*.

Period	Ordinary Department		Industrial Department		Total Sum Assured
	Policies	Sum Assured	Policies	Sum Assured	
	Number	£ thousand	Number	£ thousand	£ thousand
Year† : 1939	50,520	18,179	156,787	7,540	25,719
1945	53,927	23,999	109,862	7,513	31,512
1947	98,149	43,268	115,181	10,241	53,509
1948	99,282	47,956	115,336	11,076	59,032
1949†	92,446	49,662	114,916	11,430	61,092
1949 : Jan-Sept.	67,216	34,941	85,400	8,482	43,423
1950 : Jan-Sept.	70,475	41,598	81,648	8,531	50,129
1949 : July	7,476	4,096	7,964	777	4,873
August	8,810	4,483	10,463	1,038	5,521
September	11,369	5,543	12,518	1,280	6,823
1950 : July	7,814	4,942	10,709	1,126	6,068
August	8,381	5,331	8,918	925	6,256
September	11,600	6,455	11,094	1,170	7,625

\* Includes operations of Government Insurance Office of New South Wales. † Annual figures are aggregates of yearly returns for "various balance" dates (mainly in September or December of year specified). ‡ Total of monthly figures, January to December.

#### (b) New Loans Granted by Life Assurance Companies in New South Wales\* (exclusive of advances of premiums).

Period	On Mortgage of Real Estate	On Companies' Policies	On Other Securities	Total Loans Granted
	£ thousand			
Year : 1947	2,799	789	1,452	5,040
1948	5,828	861	2,540	9,229
1949	9,264	931	2,913	13,108
1949 : Jan-Sept.	6,063	702	1,918	8,683
1950 : Jan-Sept.	10,550	832	2,656	14,038
1949 : July	551	85	231	868
August	1,036	97	233	1,366
September	597	87	270	954
1950 : July	1,627	82	287	1,996
August	1,066	98	280	1,444
September	865	150	348	1,363

\* The Government Insurance Office of New South Wales is not included.

## 47. Commonwealth Government : Revenue and Expenditure

REVENUE			EXPENDITURE		
Item	July–November		Item	July–November	
	1949	1950		1949	1950
	£ thousand			£ thousand	
<b>Taxes—</b>			<b>Social Services*—</b>		
Customs ... ..	30,505	36,738	Invalid, Age Pensions ... ..	18,003	19,389
Excise ... ..	26,533	29,729	Child Endowment ... ..	11,938	16,360
Sales ... ..	16,685	21,000	Hospital Benefits ... ..	2,874	2,673
Income Tax ... ..	42,714	44,765	Other ... ..	5,364	5,312
Social Services Contribution ... ..	31,354	33,270	Total, Social Services* ... ..	38,179	43,734
Payroll ... ..	8,896	10,814	<b>To States—</b>		
Estate ... ..	2,534	2,127	Tax Reimbursements ... ..	17,821	22,403
Entertainments ... ..	2,032	1,938	Other ... ..	19,819	13,985
Other ... ..	1,107	718	Capital Works ... ..	20,954	25,731
Total Taxes ... ..	162,360	181,099	Post Office‡ ... ..	16,400	19,644
Post Office ... ..	14,792	17,058	Broadcasting‡ ... ..	1,009	1,162
Broadcasting ... ..	824	891	Railways‡ ... ..	850	927
Railways ... ..	646	724	Territories‡ ... ..	2,517	3,074
Territories ... ..	334	402	Defence Services ... ..	14,575	27,096
Other ... ..	10,044	3,698	War Services, 1914–18 & 1935–45‡	42,485	27,354
	189,000	203,672	Subsidies ... ..	30,260	31,209
Primary Production† ... ..	7,655	7,099	Debt Charges ... ..	16,940	21,557
			Other ... ..	7,655	17,099
			Primary Production† ... ..		
Total Revenue ... ..	196,655	220,971	Total Expenditure ... ..	229,464	265,665

\* Actual Expenditure from National Welfare Fund.

† Self-balancing items.

‡ Excluding debt charges.

Expenditure from Loan Fund (other than War and Repatriation which is included above) in the five months ended November, consisted of Advances to States for Housing, £7,400,000 in 1950, and £6,365,000 in 1949.

## 48. New South Wales Government : Revenue and Expenditure

REVENUE			EXPENDITURE		
Item	July–October		Item	July–October	
	1949	1950		1949	1950
	£ thousand			£ thousand	
From Commonwealth—			Interest, Exchange, Sinking Fund and Loan Management ...	5,629	6,058
Towards Interest...	972	973	Less—Recoups from other Activities ...	559	635
Reimbursement of Taxes	5,872	6,796	Net Debt Charges ...	5,070	5,423
Stamp and Probate Duty ...	2,693	3,546	Other than Debt Charges—		
Other Taxes...	844	959	Governmental ...	12,345	13,822
Land ...	471	647	Business Undertakings ...	14,505	18,595
Services ...	610	787			
Other ...	2,226	2,285			
Total Governmental ...	13,688	15,993			
Business Undertakings ...	16,525*	17,792			
Total Revenue ...	30,213	33,785	Total Expenditure ...	31,920	37,840

Loan Expenditure on works and services during the four months ended October was gross £8,132,000 and net (i.e., gross less repayments to loan account) £7,678,000 in 1950, compared with gross £8,530,000 and net £7,992,000 in 1949.

\* Includes Commonwealth grant of £3,200,000 towards losses caused by general coal strikes.

### 49. Australian Export Price Index

Compiled by Commonwealth Statistician from prices of twenty commodities constituting at present about 80 per cent. of all Australian exports. The prices are multiplied by the average annual exports (production in the case of gold) in the years 1933-34 to 1935-36.

Base : Average 3 years ended June, 1939=1000

Period	Wool	Wheat	Butter	Metals*	Meats†	All Groups‡	
						Excluding Gold	Including Gold
§ (a)	45.63	17.06	11.36	6.83	6.63	...	100.00
§ (b)	49.05	18.34	12.21	7.34	7.13	100.00	...
Year : 1938-39	793	656	1011	842	956	819	834
1945-46	1165	2130	1474	1956	1234	1477	1459
1947-48	2872	4195	1935	3723	1464	2955	2834
1948-49	3649	4134	2330	4781	1706	3481	3324
1949-50	4727	4002	2504	4212	1969	3994	3830
1949 : August	3470¶	3674	2504	3696	1862	3268	3126
September	3394	3767	2504	3883	1862	3262	3135
October	3922	3779	2504	4538	2004	3574	3449
1950 : August	8636	4227	2504¶	5471	2005¶	6061p	5762p
September	8900	4191	2504¶	6747	2005¶	6281p	5966p
October	8900p	4211p	2504¶	6812	2005¶	6295p	5979p

\* Non-ferrous—Silver, copper, tin, spelter, lead. † Beef, lamb, mutton, pork. ‡ Includes also sugar, dried fruits, tallow, and hides. § Percentage distribution of base aggregate for "All Groups" (a) Including Gold and (b) Excluding Gold. ¶ Nominal.

### 50. Oversea Exchange Rates

Mean of Buying and Selling rates for telegraphic transfers quoted by Commonwealth Bank, average of daily rates.

Australia on—	Quotation	1938-39	1946	1949	1950	
		Average	June	June	October	November
London ...	£A to £stg.100	125.25	125.25	125.25	125.25	125.25
New Zealand ...	£A to £N.Z.100	100.33	100.25	124.27	124.27	124.27
South Africa ...	£A. to £S.A.100	124.70	124.88	124.88	124.88	124.88
Montreal ...	Can. \$ to £A.1	3.79	3.54	3.22	2.35	2.32
New York ...	U.S. \$ to £A.1	3.78	3.22	3.22	2.24	2.24
France ...	francs to £A.1	141.75	383.24	875.85	782.44	782.44
Belgium ...	francs to £A.1	111.58	141.02	141.02	111.78	111.78
India ...	rupees to £A.1	10.69	10.64	10.64	10.64	10.64

### 51. Wholesale Price Index : Basic Materials and Foodstuffs

Compiled by Commonwealth Statistician. Prices are drawn mainly from Melbourne sources. Apart from home-produced building materials, coal, and one or two minor commodities, the index may be deemed to represent movements of wholesale prices of basic materials in most Australian markets.

Base : Average 3 years ended June, 1939=1000

Period	Metals and Coal	Textiles	Building Materials	Total Basic Materials	Foodstuffs and Tobacco	Goods Principally Imported*	Goods Principally Home-produced	Total, All Groups
Year : 1938-39	1025	815	970	992	1029	991	1020	1011
1945-46	1302	1518	1766	1490	1348	1782	1257	1412
1947-48	1460	2833	1898	1655	1532	1924	1448	1588
1948-49	1849	3419	1983	1884	1747	2008	1727	1809
1949-50	2144	4335	2247	2145	1979	2231	1982	2054
1949 : August	2090	3385	2053	1978	1859	2066	1850	1913
Sept.	2091	3327	2079	1975	1855	2040	1855	1909
Oct.	2093	3665	2080	2011	1878	2086	1877	1938
1950 : August	2240	7371	2449	2468	2195	2403	2285	2319
Sept.	2274	7545	2452	2506	2195	2424	2301	2337
Oct.	2377	7528	2460	2566	2209	2468	2331	2372

\* Represents only such imported commodities as are included in the Wholesale Price Index. This Index does not measure changes in import prices generally.



## 52. Wholesale Price Index Numbers, Certain Countries

Base : Average 3 years ended June, 1939=1000

Period	Australia	New Zealand	South Africa	United Kingdom		Canada	United States	France
	Common-wealth Statistician	Government Statistician	Census and Statistics Office	Board of Trade	Economist	Dominion Statistician	Bureau of Labour and Statistics	Inst. Nat. de la Stat.
Year : 1938-39	1011	1021	1004	958	925	935	948	1117
1945-46	1412	1567	1585	1673	1610	1321	1325	5340
1947-48	1588	1730	1741	2032	2055	1797	1970	14514
1948-49	1809	1801	1859	2179	2184	1987	1991	20319
1949-50	2054	1835	1954	2364	2348	1994	1882	21957
1948 : June	1667	1818	1829	2170	2172	1913	2042	18430
Dec.	1827	1784	1832	2157	2196	2010	1995	21482
1949 : June	1858	1793	1907	2266	2212	1969	1898	19749
Dec.	2043	1823	1936	2355	2344	1976	1858	21820
1950 : Jan.	2074	1820	1943	2389	2361	1979	1862	22485
Feb.	2109	1821	1956	2395	2387	1990	1876	22420
March	2109	1839	1957	2398	2346	2007	1876	22910
April	2222	1847	1966	2440	2417	2017	1879	22856
May	2208	1946	2008	2487	2497	2038	1916	22692
June	2229	1987	2048	2500	2507	2079	1933	22180
July	2231	1997	2056	2529	2545	2102	2002	23139

## 53. Retail Price Index Numbers ("C" Series)

Base : Weighted Average for six Capital Cities in 1923-27=1000

(a) Sydney (Group Indexes and "All Items")

Quarter	Food and Groceries	Rent, 4 and 5 Rooms	Clothing	Miscellaneous Items	Total "All Items"	
					Index Number	Increase from Sept. Qr., 1939
						Per cent.
1939 : September	930	1039	841	939	933	...
1943 : June*	1065	1042	1479	1162	1165	24.9
1945 : June	1040	1043	1410	1163	1141	22.3
1947 : June	1096	1044	1540	1187	1194	28.0
1948 : June	1235	1046	1748	1267	1305	39.9
1949 : June	1384	1048	1980	1347	1425	52.7
September	1395	1049	2054	1385	1452	55.6
December	1421	1049	2161	1389	1486	59.3
1950 : March	1459	1049	2190	1435	1515	62.4
June	1518	1049	2307	1446	1564	67.6
September	1599	1050	2373	1473	1613	72.9

## (b) Districts of New South Wales ("All Items")

Quarter	Sydney	Newcastle	Broken Hill	Goulburn	Bathurst	Five Towns†
1939 : September	933	897	943	914	881	930
1943 : June*	1165	1126	1185	1140	1107	1162
1945 : June	1141	1099	1193	1111	1089	1138
1947 : June	1194	1150	1237	1160	1147	1191
1948 : June	1305	1263	1364	1271	1263	1302
1949 : June	1425	1393	1504	1421	1393	1424
September	1452	1413	1554	1434	1411	1451
December	1486	1449	1593	1467	1448	1485
1950 : March	1515	1473	1614	1495	1475	1513
June	1564	1519	1646	1555	1522	1562
September	1613	1552	1717	1597	1570	1610

\* War-time peak. † Weighted average for foregoing five towns

## 54. Basic Wage : Industrial Awards, New South Wales

Quarter (commencing in month shown)	Adult Males				Adult Females*		
	Sydney, Newcastle, Wollongong- Pt. Kembla	Broken Hill	Other Country Districts	Crown Employees (All Districts)	Sydney, Newcastle, Wollongong- Pt. Kembla	Other Country Districts	Crown Employees (All Districts)
	s. per week				s. d. per week		
1939 : June	82	85	79	80	44 0	42 6	43 0
1945 : Aug.	98	103	95	97	53 0	51 6	52 6
1946 : Nov.	101	105	98	99	54 6	53 0	53 6
1946 : Dec.†	108	112	105	106	58 6	56 6	57 0
1947 : Nov.	112	115	109	111	60 6	59 0	60 0
1948 : May	116	121	113	115	62 6	61 0	62 0
1948 : Aug.	120	125	117	118	65 0	63 0	63 6
1948 : Nov.	122	127	119	121	66 0	64 6	65 6
1949 : Feb.	124	129	121	123	67 0	65 6	66 6
1949 : May	127	133	124	126	68 6	67 0	68 0
1949 : Aug.	130	137	127	129	70 0	68 6	69 6
1949 : Nov.	132	141	129	131	71 6	69 6	70 6
1950 : Feb.	135	145	132	134	73 0	71 6	72 6
1950 : May	138	146	135	137	74 6	73 0	74 0
1950 : Aug.	142	149	139	141	76 6	75 0	76 0
1950 : Nov.	146	155	143	145	79 0	77 0	78 6

\* In State awards only.  
Court of Conciliation and Arbitration.

† Special increase (males 7s.) awarded in Interim Judgment of Commonwealth

## 55. Average Nominal Weekly Wage Rates and Average Weekly Hours of Labour, New South Wales

Compiled by Commonwealth Statistician. The nominal wage and hour figures are in course of revision. The amounts shown should not be regarded as actual current averages, but as an index of changes expressed in money and hour terms.

End of Month	Average Nominal Weekly Wage Rate				Average Weekly Standard Working Hours	
	Amount—shillings		Index Number		Adult Males	Adult Females
	Adult Males	Adult Females	Adult Males*	Adult Females†		
1939 : Sept.	95.8	52.7	1870	1939	44.0	43.9
1945 : Sept.	121.1	72.3	2362	2660	43.5	43.9
1946 : Dec.	130.9	80.3	2554	2956	43.5	43.9
1947 : June‡	132.7	82.3	2589	3029	43.5	43.9
1947 : Dec.	141.3	84.3	2757	3103	41.1	41.8
1948 : June§	149.1	92.4	2909	3403	40.0	40.0
1948 : Sept.	155.4	95.1	3033	3501	40.0	40.0
1948 : Dec.	159.8	100.0	3117	3681	40.0	40.0
1949 : Mar.	161.6	101.2	3154	3724	40.0	40.0
1949 : June	165.4	103.5	3227	3811	40.0	40.0
1949 : Sept.	169.1	105.8	3299	3896	40.0	40.0
1949 : Dec.	171.9	108.1	3355	3979	40.0	40.0
1950 : Mar.	174.8	109.4	3410	4028	40.0	40.0
1950 : June	179.3	114.3	3499	4207	40.0	40.0

\* Base : Weighted average for Australia in April, 1911 (5s. 3d.) = 1000.  
Australia in April, 1914 (27s. 2d.) = 1000.

† Base : Weighted average for Australia in April, 1914 (27s. 2d.) = 1000.  
‡ Forty-hour week under State awards from 1st July, 1947.  
§ Forty-hour week under Commonwealth awards from 1st January, 1948

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